

WEAPONS OF MASS DESTRUCTION (WMD)



Chapter 6

Nuclear Defense

Nuclear operations present unique challenges to commanders, unit NBC defense teams, and chemical staff personnel. To provide the required accurate information and battlefield intelligence, numerous mathematical calculations must be performed. These calculations are used to--

- Calculate the optimum time to exit a fallout area.
- Determine H-hour, or when the nuclear device exploded.
- Determine the tactical implication of rainout.
- Determine the period of validity and decay rate.
- Normalize survey readings to $H + 1$.
- Calculate total dose when crossing fallout areas.

This chapter details the mathematical procedures required to provide this essential information.

Further Reading

Optimum Time of Exit for Fallout Areas

Radiological fallout may present a serious hazard to units that remain in a contaminated area. Shelters, such as field emplacements, are the best protective measures against nuclear radiation for troops. If the shelter provides any appreciable amount of protection, it will be advantageous to remain and improve the shelter rather than to evacuate to an uncontaminated area. If the situation permits, and higher headquarters approves, the commander may decide to move out of the contaminated area. By evacuating at the optimum exit time, the radiation dose to personnel is kept to a minimum.

To compute the optimum exit time for a fallout area, you must know the time of detonation, location of uncontaminated area; and the average transmission factor of the vehicles used and the shelters involved, plus the time required to evacuate the position.

If the nuclear burst was not sighted by the unit, the nearest NBCC will provide the H-hour.

When moving from an area contaminated by fallout, the unit moves into an uncontaminated location. This will necessitate waiting until fallout is complete at present positions.

The average transmission factor of the fallout shelters and the vehicles used to leave the contaminated area must be computed. Since all shelters are not the same, an average value should be used. The transmission factor of a vehicle may be calculated. A unit moving on foot will be fully exposed and will have a transmission factor of 1.0.

The time to load vehicles and move out of the contaminated area must be estimated. To minimize exposure time, it

decreased to an acceptable value.

The following abbreviations are used in optimum time of exit calculations:

$$T_{opt} = MF \times T_{ev}.$$

T_{opt} = optimum time of exit.

MF = multiplication factor.

T_{ev} = time (in hours) required to evacuate the contaminated area.

A_e = average transmission factor of the vehicles used during movement out of the contaminated areas.

A_s = average transmission factor of the shelter. (This includes vehicles being used as shelters).

Compute the optimum exit time using the three following steps:

Step 1. Calculate the transmission factor ratio, A_s/A_e .

Step 2. Determine the multiplication factor. Enter the vertical axis of [Figure 6-1](#) with the value obtained for A_s/A_e . Move horizontally along this value to the curve. Move straight down and read the multiplication factor from the horizontal axis.

Step 3. Calculate the optimum exit time. Multiply the multiplication factor by the T_{ev} . The product is the optimum time, in hours after detonation, that the unit should leave its shelters and evacuate the area. Optimum time of exit equals the multiplication factor times T_{ev} .

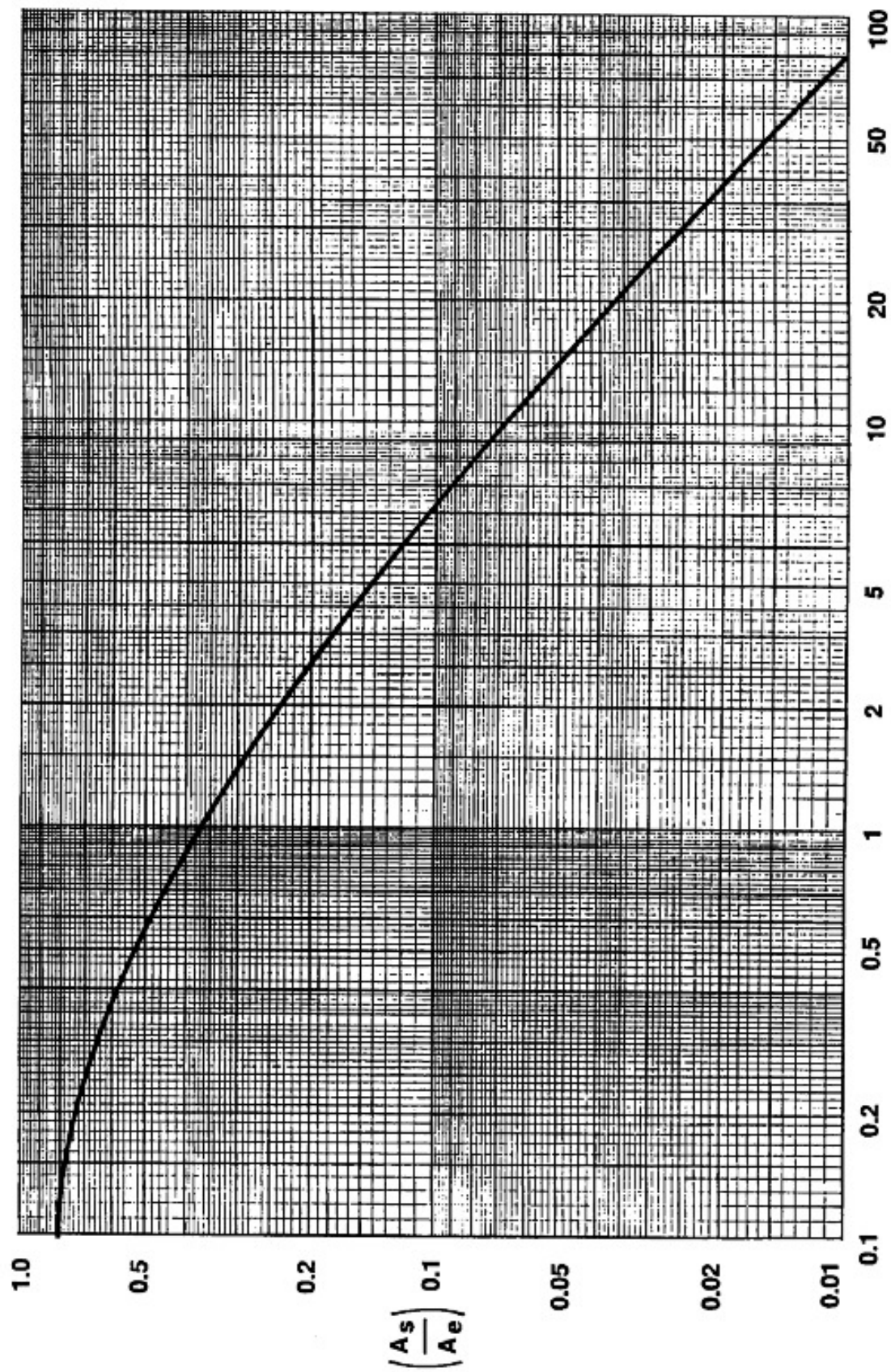


Figure 6-1. Multiplication factor.

Special Considerations

The unit should evacuate the fallout area as soon as possible when ratios of $\frac{As}{Ae}$ are equal to or greater than 0.5.

If the optimum time of exit is estimated to be before the actual arrival of fallout, the unit should evacuate the area as soon as possible after fallout is complete and an uncontaminated area is available.

The unit will receive the smallest dose possible if it leaves the contaminated area at the optimum time of exit. If the unit commander is willing to accept up to a ten percent increase in dose, he or she may leave the shelters any time between one-half and twice the optimum time of exit.

If possible, personnel should improve their shelters while waiting for the optimum time of exit. This, however, should only be attempted if the personnel do not have to leave the shelter to improve it. The estimate of the optimum time of exit should be recalculated if significant improvement is made in the shelters. Improved shelters mean the unit may remain for a longer period, to minimize the dose to personnel.

Sample Problem

Given: $As = 0.1$ (foxhole)

$Ae = 0.6$ (2½-ton truck)

$T_{ev} = 1$ hour

Find: Optimum time of exit

Solution: $\frac{As}{Ae} = \frac{0.1}{0.6} = 0.167$

Multiplication factor = 2.9

Optimum time of exit = Multiplication factor x T_{ev}
= 2.9 x 1
= 2.9, or 2 hours and 54 minutes.

Optimum time of exit calculations bring up two other areas that are a vital part to radiological operations. One is transmission factors and the other is the calculation of H-hour.

Transmission Factors

A transmission factor (TF) is that fraction of the outside (ground) dose or dose rate received inside the enclosure that provides the shielding. (Refer to [Appendix B](#) for a more detailed discussion on shielding). TFs are always less than one. TFs are used to find the reduction in dose or dose rates received when personnel are protected from radiation.

TFs are always determined in operational situations by the unit NBC defense team. Each TF is calculated using the formula below:

$$\text{transmission factor} = \frac{\text{inside dose or dose rate (ID)}}{\text{outside dose or dose rate (OD)}}$$

Rearrangement of this formula yields $ID = OD \times TF$
and $OD = \frac{ID}{TF}$. The TF is needed because its principal use is to find the ID.

Problem 1. The outside dose is 90 cGyph. Use the transmission factor to calculate the inside dose. What dose would troops in M113 armored personnel carriers receive? The TF for an M113 is 0.3.

$$\begin{aligned}
 ID &= OD \times TF \\
 &= 90 \times 0.3 \\
 &= 27 \text{ cGy}
 \end{aligned}$$

Problem 2. Transmission factors also may be applied to dose rates. A measured outside dose rate is 100 cGyph. The inside dose rate is calculated by use of the transmission factor. Find the dose rate inside the M113:

$$\begin{aligned}
 ID &= OD \times TF \\
 &= 100 \times 0.3 \\
 &= 30 \text{ cGyph}
 \end{aligned}$$

A list of precalculated transmission factors are in [Table 6-1](#). These TFs are for the most exposed occupied location. They are not based on dose rates from fallout; they are based on gamma radiation from Cobalt 60. Energies from radioactive elements are measured in million electron volts (MEVs). The average from Cobalt 60 is roughly 1.25. Average energy from gamma activity in fallout is 0.67. Since Cobalt-60 radiation is almost twice as strong as the radiation from fallout, actual TFs should be much smaller (more protection).

Table 6-1. Transmission factors for residual radiation.

Environmental Shielding	Transmission Factor (TF)	Environmental Shielding	Transmission Factor (TF)
Vehicles		Engineer Equipment	
M1 tank	0.04	M9 ACE	0.3
M48 tank	0.02	Grader	0.8
M60 tank	0.04	Bulldozer	0.5
M2 IFV	0.2	Scraper	0.5
M3 CFV	0.2	Structures	
M93 NBC Reconnaissance Vehicle	0.2	Frame house	0.3–0.6
M113 armored personnel carrier	0.3	Basement	0.05–0.1
M109 self propelled howitzer	0.2	Multistory Building (Apartment Type)	
M548 cargo vehicle	0.7	Upper stories	0.01
M88 recovery vehicle	0.09	Lower stories	0.1
M577 command post carrier	0.3	Concrete Blockhouse Shelter	
M551 armored recon airborne assault vehicle	0.2	9-in. walls	0.007–0.09
M728 combat engineer vehicle	0.04	12-in. walls	0.0001–0.03
Helicopters (Parked)		24-in. walls	0.0001–0.002
OH-58	0.8	Shelter, Partly Above Ground	
UH-60	0.7	With 2-ft earth cover	0.005–0.02
CH-47	0.6	With 3-ft earth cover	0.001–0.005
Trucks		Urban Areas (in open)	0.7 *
HUMMV	0.6	Woods	0.8 *
1/4-ton	0.8	Underground Shelters(3-ft earth cover)	0.0002
3/4-ton	0.6	Foxholes	0.1
CUCV	0.6	* These factors apply to aerial survey dose rates.	
2 1/2-ton	0.6	Notes: For vehicles in which AN/VDR2s have been installed, the users need only verify that the correct attenuation factor has been entered (IAW TM 11-6665-251-10) and then read the outside dose directly off the display. The attenuation factor is the mathematical inverse of the transmission factor. If the attenuation factor has not been set properly, refer to TM 11-6665-251-20.	
4-ton to 7-ton	0.5		

Note that these TFs are not used under operational situations. Commanders and operations personnel use these precalculated TFs to judge the relative shielding ability of various vehicles and shelters. They are provided also for instruction and practice. For vehicles that have AN/VDR2s installed, each user need only verify that the correct attenuation factor has been entered (IAW [TM 11-6665-251-10](#)) and then read the outside dose directly off the display. The attenuation factor is the mathematical inverse of the transmission factor and has already been calculated for many vehicles. These factors are printed on the mounting bracket for the AN/VDR2.

Another method that may be used to calculate the shielding properties is using a protection factor (PF). PF may be calculated with the following formula:

$$\frac{1}{TF} = PF$$

To determine the shielding properties of a vehicle use the following formula:

$$\frac{D_t}{PF} = ID_t$$

OD_t = outside total dose

ID_t = inside total dose

Calculation of H-Hour

H-hour may be calculated mathematically or by using the ABC-M1 radiac calculator. Calculate H-hour mathematically, using the following procedure (All calculations must be made after fallout is complete.):

$$T_1 = \frac{T_b - T_a}{\left(\frac{R_a}{R_b} \right)^{1/n} - 1}$$

T₁ = time after H-hour at which reading R_a was made.

T_b - T_a = interval between readings R_a and R_b.

The value of $\left(\frac{R_a}{R_b} \right)^{1/n}$ can be calculated or may be read

from a family of slopes ([Figure 6-2](#)). To calculate, use an assumed decay exponent or one that has been determined.

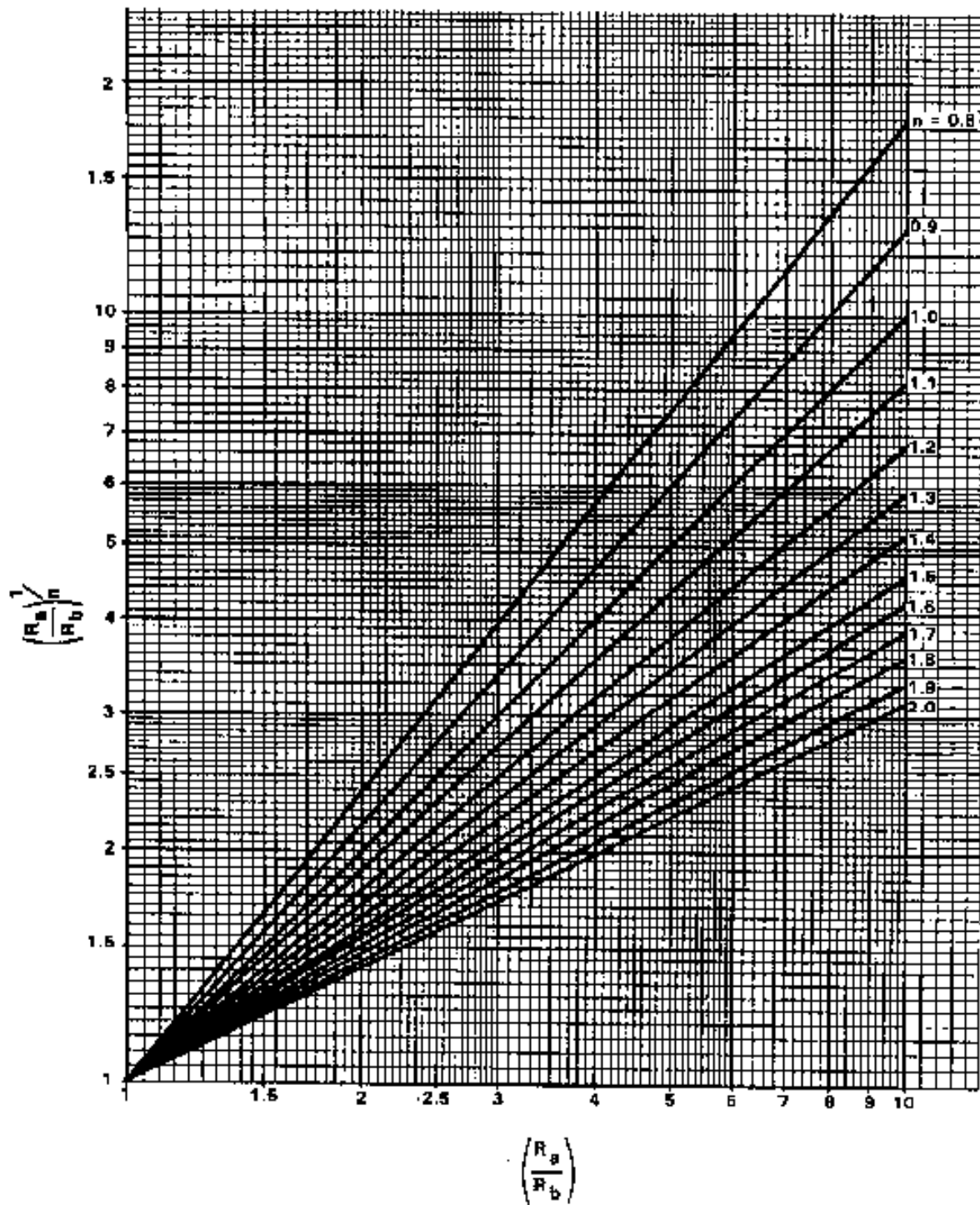


Figure 6-2. Value of $\frac{R_a}{R_b}$.

For example, monitoring reports R_a and R_b represent the earliest and latest data available for a particular location within a contaminated area:

$R_a = 112$ cGyph (0500, 15 January)

$R_b = 24$ cGyph (2200, 15 January).

From [Figure 6-2](#), assuming $n = 1.2$

$$T_1 = \frac{17 \text{ hours}}{3.6 - 1} = 6.54 = 6.5 \text{ hours}$$

Since T_1 is the time after H-hour at which reading R_a was made, the H-hour = $T_a - T_1 = 0500, 15 \text{ January} - 6.5 \text{ hours} = 2230, 14 \text{ January}$.

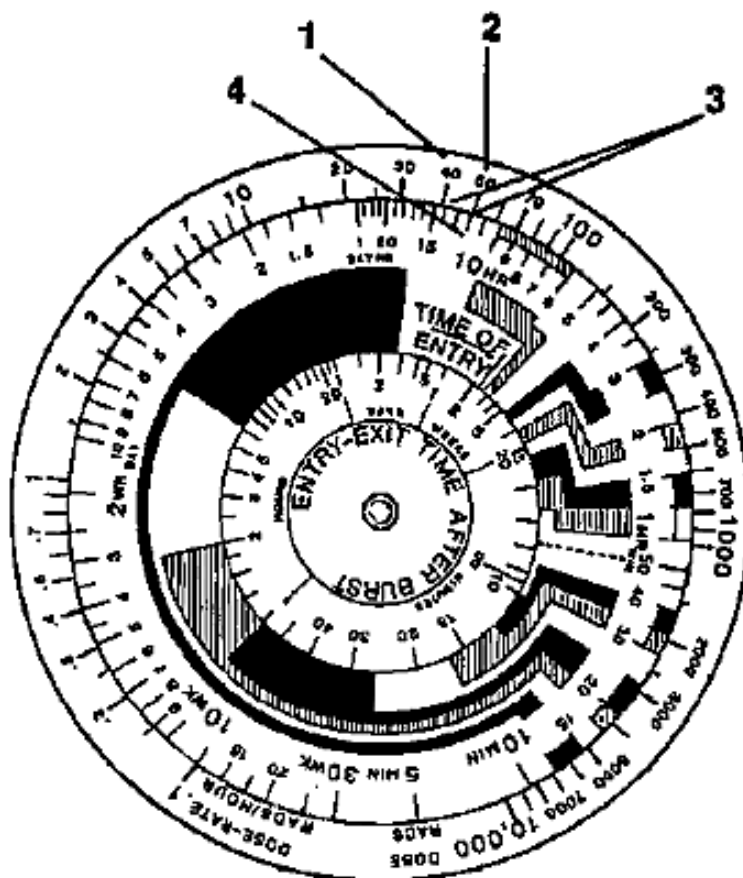
Use of ABC-M1 Radiac Calculator

The ABC-M1 radiac calculator ([Figure 6-3](#)) may be used to determine H-hour (if $n = 1.2$) as follows:

- Choose two readings. For example, the first and last readings made at a particular location:

Time	Dose Rate
1600	50 cGyph
1830	40 cGyph.

- Locate the two dose rates on the outer disk of the ABC-M1. Determine the time interval between the two readings.
- Move the intermediate disk until a time interval of $2\frac{1}{2}$ hours coincides with the 40- and 50-cGyph readings on the outer disk. Read the time under the 50 cGyph as 12 hours. The 50-cGyph dose rate was read at 1600; thus, 1600 corresponds to $H = 12$. This means that H-hour was 12 hours earlier than 1600 (see [Figure 6-3](#)). H-hour = $1600 - 1200 = 0400$.



1. 40 cGyph on outer disk
2. 50 cGyph on outer disk
3. 2½ hour interval on intermediate disk
4. Reading of 12 hours

Figure 6-3. Determining H-hour,

As mentioned previously, the NBC 3 nuclear report is only a prediction which provides a means of locating probable radiation hazards. Militarily significant fallout will occur within the predicted area. However, the prediction does not indicate exactly where the fallout will occur or what the dose rate will be at a specific location. Where fallout will occur is a function of weather and terrain. The most significant weather effect, as far as fallout is concerned, is commonly referred to as rainout or washout.

Rainout and Washout

Rainout and washout are nothing more than the removal of radioactive particles from a nuclear cloud by precipitation when the nuclear cloud is below or within a precipitation cloud. Even when rain clouds are not present, rainout or washout may occur. This will depend on the amount of water evaporated by the fireball and rising as water vapor. Such evaporation may occur when a nuclear detonation occurs over a large body of water, such as a lake or ocean. A nuclear weapon detonated in a high humidity area may also result in rainout or washout. When water vapor rises with the nuclear cloud, it will cool and condensate in the atmosphere, then fall back to the surface as rain.

If the airborne radioactive debris from a nuclear burst should encounter precipitation, a large portion of the debris may be brought to earth with the rain or other moisture. The resulting fallout pattern will be irregular, producing local hot spots within the fallout pattern. Although an air burst normally does not produce any militarily significant fallout,

precipitation in or above the nuclear cloud can cause significant contamination on the ground. Precipitation may also affect the fallout distribution from surface or sub-surface bursts by washing contamination from one location and depositing it in lower areas.

There are basically two factors that must be considered to determine whether or not rainout will occur and to what extent. The first is **duration of the precipitation**--the longer the precipitation the greater the percentage of the nuclear cloud will be washed or scavenged. [Table 6-2](#) represents this percentage as a factor of precipitation duration. This occurs when a nuclear cloud is within a rain cloud. Notice, rainfall rate appears to have little effect on rainout. Washout, on the otherhand, occurs when the nuclear cloud is below the rain cloud. Here, the rainfall rate directly effects the amount of scavenging that will occur. [Table 6-3](#) reflects this effect. The terms light, moderate, and heavy in this table refer to rates of 0.05, 0.2, and 0.47 inches of rain per hour, respectively, as measured at the surface. Thus, it would appear that rainout is more effective than washout in scavenging a nuclear cloud.

Table 6-2. Estimated scavenging for rainout.

Percent of Cloud Scavenged	Rate of Rainfall (in/hr)
25	0.07
50	0.16
75	0.32
90	0.53
99	1.10

Table 6-3. Estimated scavenging for washout.

Percent of Cloud Scavenged	Rate of Rainfall (in/hr)		
	Light	Moderate	Heavy
25	8	1.6	0.8
50	19	3.8	1.9
75	38	7.7	3.6
90	64	13.0	6.4
99	128	26.0	13.0

The other factor is **the altitude of the stabilized nuclear cloud versus the altitude of the rain or snow cloud**. The altitudes of most rain cloud tops range from 10,000 to 30,000 feet. The bottom of these clouds, where most precipitation emerges, is commonly at an altitude of about 2,000 feet. Precipitation from severe thunderstorms may originate as high as 60,000 feet. If the rain cloud is smaller than the nuclear cloud, then only that portion of the nuclear cloud covered by the rain cloud will be affected by washout or rainout; whichever applies. If the nuclear cloud extends past, or higher than the top of the rain cloud, then only that portion of the nuclear cloud that lies within and

under the rain cloud will be affected. [Figure 6-4](#) depicts the average heights or altitudes of stabilized nuclear cloud tops and bottoms, per yield for surface and low-air bursts. Obtain data from the staff weather service to determine the heights of clouds that cover the area in which the nuclear burst occurred. This will provide data that can be used to determine whether or not the nuclear cloud will be subject to washout or rainout.

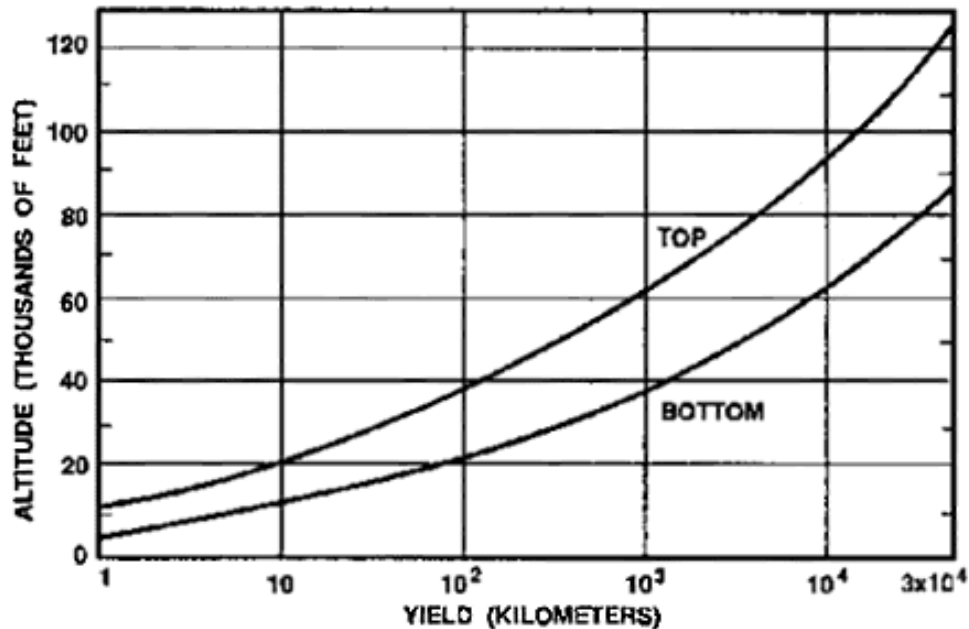


Figure 6-4. Altitudes of stabilized cloud tops and cloud bottoms as a function of total energy yield for surface or low air bursts.

If the nuclear cloud should drift into a rain or snow cloud at some point after the burst, the surface contamination caused by scavenging will be decreased due to radioactive decay. The longer between detonation and entering into the rain cloud, the less radioactive material will be present. Finally, the particles that are scavenged will not be deposited on the ground immediately, but will fall with the precipitation (typically 800 to 1,200 feet per minute for rain and 200 feet per minute for snow). Since the particles are scavenged over time and over a range of altitudes, horizontal movement during the fall of particles will tend to decrease the concentration of radioactivity on the ground. This movement and deposition will result in elongated surface fallout patterns. The exact shape will depend on the amount of rainfall, wind, and surface conditions. However, the radioactivity deposited on the ground from rainout is much more significant than that of dry or normal fallout. This is due primarily to the fact that rainout causes the radioactive particles suspended in the atmosphere to fall to the surface at a faster and more concentrated level than dry fallout. Research of this phenomena was conducted in the early 1970's and yielded the data presented in [Figure 6-5](#). This data suggests that the contamination from low yield air bursts subject to rainout produces radioactive contamination at a much more significant level than dry fallout from a surface burst. This is due primarily to the rain or snow forcing the particles of fallout to the ground faster and in a heavier concentration.

Yield (KT)	Infinite whole-body external gamma dose (cGy)	
	Rainout (airburst)	Fallout (surface burst)
1	25,000	45
10	5,000	240
50	1,500	950
100	800	3,000

Figure 6-5. Infinite whole-body gamma dose.

Tactical Implications

Exposed personnel without access to structures, vehicles or field works offering a reasonable radiological protection factor (such as, trenches with 18 inches of earth overhead cover) would soon become non-effective if they were in an area of rainout from a lower-yield weapon(s). The area would be contaminated to such an extent as to render it dangerous for them to remain in the affected area long without receiving an incapacitating dose of radiation.

Runoff from the affected area, containing high-intensity radiological contamination, could contaminate water supplies in an adjacent unaffected area. Runoff in contaminated areas will flow into water sources such as lakes, rivers, and streams, creating concentrated energy levels. Monitor water sources with the AN/PDR27 set on the higher scale and the probe in a plastic bag, before consuming or entering the water.

It seems obvious that certain extra warning measures should be implemented. Divisional NBCCs should give special warnings to units that may be subject to rainout. At present it is not yet practicable to give this with great accuracy, but enough should be known to enable sensible forecasts to be made. Guidance, based on this forecast may then be passed to affected units on what action commanders should be prepared to take. One obvious action is that they should order continuous monitoring when rainout is forecasted or at the onset of rain. If rainout occurs, they are faced with one of two simple choices: either get their units under proper cover, or get them away from the area--if tactical considerations permit. It is worth mentioning that the enemy is unlikely to occupy the vacated area for the same reason the unit leaves it.

Period of Validity and Decay Rate

Fallout will decay according to the following Kaufman equation--

$$R_1 T_1^n = R_2 T_2^n.$$

R = dose rates at a single location, and 1 and 2 correspond to the times they were taken.

T = time in hours after H-hour, that readings 1 and 2 were taken.

n = decay exponent, and 1 and 2 denote different times after H-hour. When 1 denotes H + 1, and 2 denotes any other time, the equation becomes $R_2 = R_1 T_2^{-n}$.

Dose calculations and pattern evaluations depend upon decay rate. So the decay exponent must be known. In fallout contamination, the value of n will not necessarily be constant with time or even constant throughout a particular contaminated area, although the pattern as a whole will have an average value. This average value will vary from pattern to pattern.

Caution

When dealing with overlapping contamination patterns, using an average n value for the overall pattern can lead to serious error.

The amount of variation is expected to be from about 0.2 to 2.0 for fallout. The lower values of n also can be expected for salted weapons. Salted weapons refers to weapons that have additives included in the warhead generally to produce or increase induced radiation. The average value of n for most patterns (referred to as standard decay) will be 1.2. Standard decay may be assumed when decay-rate determination has not yet been made.

Determination of decay rate depends on H-hour. A sequence of dose-rate readings (NBC 4 nuclear Series reports) from several selected locations is required. The reliability of the decay-rate calculation depends on the precision of the dose-rate readings, the interval over which the readings are taken, and the time over which dose calculations are to be made. That is, the more reliable the dose-rate monitoring and the longer the time interval over which they are taken, the longer the time in which reliable dose calculations can be made.

As a rule of thumb, reliable dose calculations can be projected in time (T_p -period of validity) over a period three times as long as the monitoring time interval. The period of validity (T_p) is a mathematical calculation that determines how long the decay rate is good. For example, for a decay rate determined from monitoring readings taken between H + 4 and H + 8, dose calculations could be reliably projected from H + 8 to H + 20 ($TP = H + 8 + [3 (8 - 4)] = H + 20$). Additional monitoring data will extend this time. Thus, the calculations based upon decay rate are valid for 20 hours after the burst. The date-time representing 20 hours from the attack is recorded on the contamination overlay as the do-not-use-after date-time group. This calculation is placed on the contamination overlay to advise the user of the length of time the calculations are valid.

The formula for determining the period of validity T_p is--

$$T_p = 3 (T_b - T_a) + T_b$$

An illustration of the preferred method in which decay-rate determinations and estimations are used in developing a contamination pattern is presented below. Additional methods to calculate the decay rate are presented in [Appendix E](#).

Example: Collection effort for a fallout-producing nuclear burst (H-hour known) begins at H + 4. It is expected to be completed by H + 6. The target time for preparation of the pattern is H + 8. By H + 6, a decay estimation can be made and the remainder of the dose-rate information processed. This will result in a reasonably reliable H + 1 pattern. By H + 6, a decay-rate determination can be accomplished to allow the use of the pattern until about H + 12. By H + 12, a decay-rate determination can be made to allow use of the pattern until H + 36 hours. Each extension of time extends the do-not-use-after date-time group for the contamination plot.

Determination of Decay Rate

Determine the decay exponent by solving the Kaufman equation for n:

$$n = \frac{\log(R_a + R_b)}{\log(T_b \div T_a)}$$

R_a = dose rate (cGyph) measured at time, T_a (a peak dose rate recorded at H + 1 or later).

R_b = dose rate (cGyph) measured at time, T_b (the last dose rate available).

T_a = the time (H + _ hours after burst) that dose rate R_a was measured.

T_b = the time (H + _ hours after burst) that dose rate R_b was measured.

n = decay rate of fallout.

Note: R_a , R_b , T_a , and T_b are determined from the NBC 4 nuclear series reports submitted by units that have been directed by the NBCC to pass dose rate readings every half hour for 2 hours, followed by hourly reports. These reports begin after the NBC 4 peak has been determined.

[Table 6-4](#) provides nontypical logarithms of numbers. The tables consist of two columns

marked A and B. Column A is the quotient of $\frac{R_a}{R_b}$ or $\frac{T_b}{T_a}$.

The logarithm of that quotient is found in Column B.

Table 6-4 (Part 1 of 4). Logarithms for numbers 0.0 to 24.9.

A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
0.0	0.000	5.0	0.699	10.0	1.000	15.0	1.176	20.0	1.301
0.1	-0.100	5.1	0.707	10.1	1.004	15.1	1.179	20.1	1.303
0.2	-0.699	5.2	0.716	10.2	1.008	15.2	1.182	20.2	1.305
0.3	-0.523	5.3	0.724	10.3	1.012	15.3	1.185	20.3	1.307
0.4	-0.398	5.4	0.732	10.4	1.017	15.4	1.188	20.4	1.309
0.5	-0.301	5.5	0.740	10.5	1.021	15.5	1.190	20.5	1.312
0.6	-0.222	5.6	0.748	10.6	1.026	15.6	1.193	20.6	1.314
0.7	-0.156	5.7	0.756	10.7	1.029	15.7	1.196	20.7	1.316
0.8	-0.099	5.8	0.763	10.8	1.033	15.8	1.199	20.8	1.318
0.9	-0.046	5.9	0.771	10.9	1.037	15.9	1.201	20.9	1.320
1.0	0.000	6.0	0.778	11.0	1.041	16.0	1.204	21.0	1.322
1.1	0.041	6.1	0.786	11.1	1.045	16.1	1.206	21.1	1.324
1.2	0.079	6.2	0.792	11.2	1.049	16.2	1.209	21.2	1.326
1.3	0.114	6.3	0.799	11.3	1.053	16.3	1.212	21.3	1.328
1.4	0.146	6.4	0.806	11.4	1.057	16.4	1.215	21.4	1.330
1.5	0.176	6.5	0.813	11.5	1.060	16.5	1.217	21.5	1.332
1.6	0.204	6.6	0.819	11.6	1.064	16.6	1.220	21.6	1.334
1.7	0.230	6.7	0.826	11.7	1.068	16.7	1.222	21.7	1.336
1.8	0.255	6.8	0.832	11.8	1.072	16.8	1.225	21.8	1.338
1.9	0.279	6.9	0.839	11.9	1.076	16.9	1.228	21.9	1.340
2.0	0.301	7.0	0.846	12.0	1.079	17.0	1.230	22.0	1.342
2.1	0.322	7.1	0.851	12.1	1.083	17.1	1.232	22.1	1.344
2.2	0.342	7.2	0.857	12.2	1.086	17.2	1.235	22.2	1.346
2.3	0.362	7.3	0.863	12.3	1.090	17.3	1.238	22.3	1.348
2.4	0.380	7.4	0.869	12.4	1.093	17.4	1.240	22.4	1.350
2.5	0.398	7.5	0.875	12.5	1.097	17.5	1.243	22.5	1.352
2.6	0.415	7.6	0.881	12.6	1.100	17.6	1.246	22.6	1.354
2.7	0.431	7.7	0.886	12.7	1.104	17.7	1.248	22.7	1.356
2.8	0.447	7.8	0.892	12.8	1.107	17.8	1.250	22.8	1.358
2.9	0.462	7.9	0.898	12.9	1.110	17.9	1.253	22.9	1.360
3.0	0.477	8.0	0.903	13.0	1.114	18.0	1.255	23.0	1.362
3.1	0.491	8.1	0.908	13.1	1.117	18.1	1.257	23.1	1.364
3.2	0.505	8.2	0.914	13.2	1.120	18.2	1.260	23.2	1.365
3.3	0.518	8.3	0.919	13.3	1.124	18.3	1.262	23.3	1.367
3.4	0.531	8.4	0.924	13.4	1.127	18.4	1.265	23.4	1.369
3.5	0.544	8.5	0.929	13.5	1.130	18.5	1.267	23.5	1.371
3.6	0.556	8.6	0.934	13.6	1.134	18.6	1.269	23.6	1.373
3.7	0.568	8.7	0.939	13.7	1.137	18.7	1.272	23.7	1.375
3.8	0.580	8.8	0.944	13.8	1.140	18.8	1.274	23.8	1.377
3.9	0.591	8.9	0.949	13.9	1.143	18.9	1.276	23.9	1.378
4.0	0.602	9.0	0.954	14.0	1.146	19.0	1.279	24.0	1.380
4.1	0.613	9.1	0.959	14.1	1.149	19.1	1.281	24.1	1.382
4.2	0.623	9.2	0.964	14.2	1.152	19.2	1.283	24.2	1.383
4.3	0.633	9.3	0.968	14.3	1.155	19.3	1.285	24.3	1.385
4.4	0.647	9.4	0.973	14.4	1.158	19.4	1.288	24.4	1.387
4.5	0.653	9.5	0.978	14.5	1.161	19.5	1.290	24.5	1.389
4.6	0.663	9.6	0.982	14.6	1.164	19.6	1.292	24.6	1.390
4.7	0.672	9.7	0.987	14.7	1.167	19.7	1.294	24.7	1.392
4.8	0.681	9.8	0.991	14.8	1.170	19.8	1.297	24.8	1.394
4.9	0.690	9.9	0.996	14.9	1.173	19.9	1.299	24.9	1.396

Table 6-4 (Part 2 of 4). Logarithms for numbers 25.0 to 49.9.

A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
25.0	1.398	30.0	1.477	35.0	1.544	40.0	1.602	45.0	1.653
25.1	1.400	30.1	1.479	35.1	1.545	40.1	1.603	45.1	1.654
25.2	1.401	30.2	1.480	35.2	1.546	40.2	1.604	45.2	1.655
25.3	1.403	30.3	1.481	35.3	1.548	40.3	1.605	45.3	1.656
25.4	1.405	30.4	1.483	35.4	1.549	40.4	1.606	45.4	1.657
25.5	1.407	30.5	1.484	35.5	1.550	40.5	1.607	45.5	1.658
25.6	1.408	30.6	1.486	35.6	1.551	40.6	1.608	45.6	1.659
25.7	1.410	30.7	1.487	35.7	1.553	40.7	1.609	45.7	1.660
25.8	1.412	30.8	1.488	35.8	1.554	40.8	1.610	45.8	1.661
25.9	1.413	30.9	1.490	35.9	1.555	40.9	1.611	45.9	1.662
26.0	1.415	31.0	1.491	36.0	1.556	41.0	1.612	46.0	1.663
26.1	1.417	31.1	1.493	36.1	1.558	41.1	1.614	46.1	1.664
26.2	1.418	31.2	1.494	36.2	1.559	41.2	1.615	46.2	1.665
26.3	1.420	31.3	1.496	36.3	1.560	41.3	1.616	46.3	1.666
26.4	1.422	31.4	1.497	36.4	1.561	41.4	1.617	46.4	1.667
26.5	1.423	31.5	1.498	36.5	1.562	41.5	1.618	46.5	1.668
26.6	1.425	31.6	1.499	36.6	1.563	41.6	1.619	46.6	1.669
26.7	1.427	31.7	1.501	36.7	1.565	41.7	1.620	46.7	1.670
26.8	1.428	31.8	1.502	36.8	1.566	41.8	1.621	46.8	1.671
26.9	1.430	31.9	1.504	36.9	1.567	41.9	1.622	46.9	1.672
27.0	1.431	32.0	1.505	37.0	1.568	42.0	1.623	47.0	1.673
27.1	1.433	32.1	1.506	37.1	1.569	42.1	1.624	47.1	1.674
27.2	1.435	32.2	1.508	37.2	1.570	42.2	1.625	47.2	1.674
27.3	1.436	32.3	1.509	37.3	1.572	42.3	1.626	47.3	1.675
27.4	1.438	32.4	1.510	37.4	1.573	42.4	1.627	47.4	1.676
27.5	1.439	32.5	1.512	37.5	1.574	42.5	1.628	47.5	1.677
27.6	1.441	32.6	1.513	37.6	1.575	42.6	1.629	47.6	1.678
27.7	1.442	32.7	1.514	37.7	1.576	42.7	1.630	47.7	1.678
27.8	1.444	32.8	1.516	37.8	1.577	42.8	1.631	47.8	1.680
27.9	1.446	32.9	1.517	37.9	1.578	42.9	1.632	47.9	1.681
28.0	1.447	33.0	1.518	38.0	1.580	43.0	1.633	48.0	1.682
28.1	1.449	33.1	1.520	38.1	1.581	43.1	1.634	48.1	1.682
28.2	1.450	33.2	1.521	38.2	1.582	43.2	1.635	48.2	1.683
28.3	1.452	33.3	1.522	38.3	1.583	43.3	1.636	48.3	1.684
28.4	1.453	33.4	1.524	38.4	1.584	43.4	1.637	48.4	1.685
28.5	1.455	33.5	1.525	38.5	1.585	43.5	1.638	48.5	1.686
28.6	1.456	33.6	1.526	38.6	1.587	43.6	1.639	48.6	1.687
28.7	1.458	33.7	1.528	38.7	1.588	43.7	1.640	48.7	1.688
28.8	1.459	33.8	1.529	38.8	1.589	43.8	1.641	48.8	1.689
28.9	1.461	33.9	1.530	38.9	1.590	43.9	1.642	48.9	1.690
29.0	1.462	34.0	1.531	39.0	1.591	44.0	1.643	49.0	1.691
29.1	1.464	34.1	1.532	39.1	1.592	44.1	1.644	49.1	1.691
29.2	1.465	34.2	1.534	39.2	1.593	44.2	1.645	49.2	1.692
29.3	1.467	34.3	1.535	39.3	1.594	44.3	1.646	49.3	1.693
29.4	1.468	34.4	1.536	39.4	1.595	44.4	1.647	49.4	1.694
29.5	1.470	34.5	1.538	39.5	1.597	44.5	1.648	49.5	1.695
29.6	1.471	34.6	1.539	39.6	1.598	44.6	1.649	49.6	1.696
29.7	1.473	34.7	1.540	39.7	1.599	44.7	1.650	49.7	1.697
29.8	1.474	34.8	1.541	39.8	1.600	44.8	1.651	49.8	1.698
29.9	1.476	34.9	1.543	39.9	1.601	44.9	1.652	49.9	1.699

Table 6-4 (Part 3 of 4). Logarithms for numbers 50.0 to 74.9.

A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
50.0	1.700	55.0	1.740	60.0	1.778	65.0	1.813	70.0	1.845
50.1	1.700	55.1	1.741	60.1	1.779	65.1	1.814	70.1	1.845
50.2	1.701	55.2	1.742	60.2	1.780	65.2	1.814	70.2	1.846
50.3	1.702	55.3	1.743	60.3	1.780	65.3	1.815	70.3	1.847
50.4	1.703	55.4	1.744	60.4	1.781	65.4	1.816	70.4	1.847
50.5	1.703	55.5	1.744	60.5	1.782	65.5	1.816	70.5	1.848
50.6	1.704	55.6	1.745	60.6	1.782	65.6	1.817	70.6	1.848
50.7	1.705	55.7	1.746	60.7	1.783	65.7	1.818	70.7	1.849
50.8	1.706	55.8	1.747	60.8	1.784	65.8	1.818	70.8	1.850
50.9	1.707	55.9	1.747	60.9	1.785	65.9	1.819	70.9	1.850
51.0	1.708	56.0	1.748	61.0	1.785	66.0	1.820	71.0	1.851
51.1	1.708	56.1	1.749	61.1	1.786	66.1	1.820	71.1	1.851
51.2	1.709	56.2	1.750	61.2	1.787	66.2	1.821	71.2	1.852
51.3	1.710	56.3	1.751	61.3	1.787	66.3	1.822	71.3	1.853
51.4	1.711	56.4	1.751	61.4	1.788	66.4	1.822	71.4	1.853
51.5	1.712	56.5	1.752	61.5	1.789	66.5	1.823	71.5	1.854
51.6	1.713	56.6	1.753	61.6	1.789	66.6	1.824	71.6	1.855
51.7	1.714	56.7	1.754	61.7	1.790	66.7	1.824	71.7	1.855
51.8	1.714	56.8	1.754	61.8	1.791	66.8	1.825	71.8	1.856
51.9	1.715	56.9	1.755	61.9	1.792	66.9	1.825	71.9	1.857
52.0	1.716	57.0	1.756	62.0	1.792	67.0	1.826	72.0	1.857
52.1	1.717	57.1	1.757	62.1	1.793	67.1	1.827	72.1	1.858
52.2	1.718	57.2	1.758	62.2	1.794	67.2	1.827	72.2	1.858
52.3	1.719	57.3	1.759	62.3	1.794	67.3	1.828	72.3	1.859
52.4	1.719	57.4	1.760	62.4	1.795	67.4	1.828	72.4	1.859
52.5	1.720	57.5	1.760	62.5	1.796	67.5	1.829	72.5	1.860
52.6	1.721	57.6	1.760	62.6	1.797	67.6	1.829	72.6	1.860
52.7	1.722	57.7	1.761	62.7	1.797	67.7	1.831	72.7	1.861
52.8	1.723	57.8	1.762	62.8	1.798	67.8	1.831	72.8	1.862
52.9	1.723	57.9	1.763	62.9	1.799	67.9	1.831	72.9	1.862
53.0	1.724	58.0	1.763	63.0	1.799	68.0	1.832	73.0	1.863
53.1	1.725	58.1	1.764	63.1	1.800	68.1	1.833	73.1	1.863
53.2	1.726	58.2	1.765	63.2	1.801	68.2	1.834	73.2	1.864
53.3	1.727	58.3	1.766	63.3	1.801	68.3	1.835	73.3	1.865
53.4	1.728	58.4	1.767	63.4	1.802	68.4	1.835	73.4	1.865
53.5	1.728	58.5	1.767	63.5	1.803	68.5	1.836	73.5	1.866
53.6	1.729	58.6	1.768	63.6	1.803	68.6	1.836	73.6	1.866
53.7	1.730	58.7	1.769	63.7	1.804	68.7	1.837	73.7	1.867
53.8	1.731	58.8	1.770	63.8	1.805	68.8	1.837	73.8	1.868
53.9	1.732	58.9	1.770	63.9	1.806	68.9	1.838	73.9	1.868
54.0	1.732	59.0	1.771	64.0	1.806	69.0	1.839	74.0	1.869
54.1	1.733	59.1	1.772	64.1	1.807	69.1	1.839	74.1	1.869
54.2	1.734	59.2	1.772	64.2	1.808	69.2	1.840	74.2	1.870
54.3	1.735	59.3	1.773	64.3	1.808	69.3	1.840	74.3	1.870
54.4	1.736	59.4	1.774	64.4	1.809	69.4	1.841	74.4	1.871
54.5	1.736	59.5	1.775	64.5	1.810	69.5	1.842	74.5	1.872
54.6	1.737	59.6	1.775	64.6	1.810	69.6	1.842	74.6	1.872
54.7	1.738	59.7	1.776	64.7	1.811	69.7	1.843	74.7	1.873
54.8	1.739	59.8	1.777	64.8	1.812	69.8	1.843	74.8	1.873
54.9	1.740	59.9	1.777	64.9	1.812	69.9	1.844	74.9	1.874

Table 6-4 (Part 4 of 4). Logarithms for numbers 75.0 to 100.0.

A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
75.0	1.875	80.0	1.903	85.0	1.929	90.0	1.954	95.0	1.977
75.1	1.876	80.1	1.903	85.1	1.929	90.1	1.954	95.1	1.978
75.2	1.876	80.2	1.904	85.2	1.930	90.2	1.955	95.2	1.978
75.3	1.876	80.3	1.904	85.3	1.930	90.3	1.955	95.3	1.979
75.4	1.877	80.4	1.905	85.4	1.931	90.4	1.956	95.4	1.979
75.5	1.877	80.5	1.906	85.5	1.931	90.5	1.956	95.5	1.980
75.6	1.878	80.6	1.906	85.6	1.932	90.6	1.957	95.6	1.980
75.7	1.878	80.7	1.907	85.7	1.932	90.7	1.957	95.7	1.980
75.8	1.879	80.8	1.907	85.8	1.933	90.8	1.958	95.8	1.981
75.9	1.880	80.9	1.907	85.9	1.933	90.9	1.958	95.9	1.981
76.0	1.880	81.0	1.908	86.0	1.934	91.0	1.959	96.0	1.982
76.1	1.881	81.1	1.909	86.1	1.935	91.1	1.959	96.1	1.982
76.2	1.881	81.2	1.909	86.2	1.935	91.2	1.960	96.2	1.983
76.3	1.882	81.3	1.910	86.3	1.936	91.3	1.960	96.3	1.983
76.4	1.883	81.4	1.910	86.4	1.936	91.4	1.961	96.4	1.984
76.5	1.883	81.5	1.911	86.5	1.937	91.5	1.961	96.5	1.984
76.6	1.884	81.6	1.911	86.6	1.937	91.6	1.962	96.6	1.984
76.7	1.884	81.7	1.912	86.7	1.938	91.7	1.962	96.7	1.985
76.8	1.885	81.8	1.912	86.8	1.938	91.8	1.963	96.8	1.985
76.9	1.885	81.9	1.913	86.9	1.939	91.9	1.963	96.9	1.986
77.0	1.886	82.0	1.913	87.0	1.939	92.0	1.963	97.0	1.986
77.1	1.887	82.1	1.914	87.1	1.940	92.1	1.964	97.1	1.987
77.2	1.887	82.2	1.914	87.2	1.940	92.2	1.964	97.2	1.987
77.3	1.888	82.3	1.915	87.3	1.941	92.3	1.965	97.3	1.988
77.4	1.888	82.4	1.916	87.4	1.941	92.4	1.965	97.4	1.988
77.5	1.889	82.5	1.916	87.5	1.942	92.5	1.966	97.5	1.989
77.6	1.889	82.6	1.916	87.6	1.942	92.6	1.966	97.6	1.989
77.7	1.890	82.7	1.917	87.7	1.942	92.7	1.967	97.7	1.989
77.8	1.890	82.8	1.918	87.8	1.943	92.8	1.967	97.8	1.990
77.9	1.891	82.9	1.918	87.9	1.943	92.9	1.968	97.9	1.990
78.0	1.892	83.0	1.919	88.0	1.944	93.0	1.968	98.0	1.991
78.1	1.892	83.1	1.919	88.1	1.944	93.1	1.968	98.1	1.991
78.2	1.893	83.2	1.920	88.2	1.945	93.2	1.969	98.2	1.992
78.3	1.893	83.3	1.920	88.3	1.945	93.3	1.969	98.3	1.992
78.4	1.894	83.4	1.921	88.4	1.946	93.4	1.970	98.4	1.992
78.5	1.894	83.5	1.921	88.5	1.946	93.5	1.970	98.5	1.993
78.6	1.895	83.6	1.922	88.6	1.947	93.6	1.971	98.6	1.993
78.7	1.895	83.7	1.922	88.7	1.947	93.7	1.971	98.7	1.994
78.8	1.896	83.8	1.923	88.8	1.948	93.8	1.972	98.8	1.994
78.9	1.897	83.9	1.923	88.9	1.948	93.9	1.972	98.9	1.995
79.0	1.897	84.0	1.924	89.0	1.949	94.0	1.973	99.0	1.995
79.1	1.898	84.1	1.924	89.1	1.949	94.1	1.973	99.1	1.996
79.2	1.898	84.2	1.925	89.2	1.950	94.2	1.974	99.2	1.996
79.3	1.899	84.3	1.925	89.3	1.950	94.3	1.974	99.3	1.996
79.4	1.899	84.4	1.926	89.4	1.951	94.4	1.974	99.4	1.997
79.5	1.900	84.5	1.926	89.5	1.951	94.5	1.975	99.5	1.997
79.6	1.900	84.6	1.927	89.6	1.952	94.6	1.975	99.6	1.998
79.7	1.901	84.7	1.927	89.7	1.952	94.7	1.976	99.7	1.998
79.8	1.902	84.8	1.928	89.8	1.953	94.8	1.976	99.8	1.999
79.9	1.902	84.9	1.928	89.9	1.953	94.9	1.977	99.9	1.999
								100.0	2.000

Note that Column A is given to one decimal place only. To use the table, round your quotient to the nearest single decimal place, and locate that number in Column A. Read the logarithm of that number in Column B.

Example: 10 divided by 6 equals 1.66666667. Round to 1.7, and enter Column A with 1.7. The logarithm from Column B is 0.230.

Sometimes, when using the logarithms in [Table 6-4](#), you may need the log of a number that is not listed. In this case, mathematical estimation is required.

Example: You need the logarithm of 12.85. Reading down Column A in [Table 6-4](#), you find values only for 12.8 and 12.9--none for 12.85. To find the log of 12.85--

Set the problem up like this and follow the four steps shown:

Value from Column A	Value from Column B
12.81.107	(log of 12.8)
12.8 X	(log of 12.85)
12.91.110	(log of 12.9)

Step 1. Take the difference between 12.8 and 12.85, which is 0.05. Take the difference between 12.8 and 12.9, which is 0.1. Set these values up as a numerator and

denominator: $\frac{0.05}{0.10}$

Step 2. Take the difference between 1.107 (log value of 12.8 derived from Column B, [Table 6-4](#)) and the log value of 12.85, which at this point, is unknown. This unknown is presented by an "x." Take the difference between 1.107 (log value of 12.8 derived from Column B in [Table 6-4](#)) and 1.110 (log value of 12.9 derived from Column B, [Table 6-4](#)). In this case, the answer is 0.003. Set these two

values up as a numerator and denominator: $\frac{x}{.003}$

Step 3. Take the value in Step 1 and value in Step 2 and set them equal to each other: $\frac{0.05}{0.10} = \frac{x}{0.003}$

Solve the equation: $0.5 = \frac{x}{0.003}$

$$(0.003) 0.5 = \frac{x}{0.003} (0.003).$$

Step 4. Add the value of "x" (0.0015) to the log value of 12.8 (1.107). The answer will be the log value of 12.85.

1.107 (log value of 12.8)

+ 0.0015

1.1085 (log value of 12.85)

Normalizing Readings to H + 1

Once the decay rate (n) is determined, the radiological reading may be normalized to H + 1 readings. This normalized reading is commonly referred to as the R₁ reading. It is nothing more than determining, mathematically what the dose rate reading was at any given location, one hour after the burst. Survey teams and monitors enter an area and take readings at various times after the burst (H-hour). These readings may be 15 minutes or 10 hours after the burst. Any reading that is not recorded 1 hour (H + 1) after a burst is commonly referred to as an R_t reading. To perform radiological calculations and make decisions on the nuclear battlefield, all readings must be represented using the same time reference. If this is not done, the radioactive elements will decay and a true representation of the hazard,

past and present (because radioactivity is accumulative in the human body) cannot be made.

In other words--

First Situation--Monitor A reports a dose rate of 100 cGyph 5 hours after the burst. The decay rate is unknown, so the monitor assumes standard decay ($n = 1.2$). What was the dose rate at Monitor A's location at $H + 1$?

This can be determined by two methods; the nomogram method, which is the preferred method, but subject to operator error, and the mathematical method which is outlined in [Appendix F](#).

The nomogram method uses the nomograms in [Appendix E](#) for the specific decay rate involved. The mathematical method requires a hand-held pocket calculator that has a power function, which is represented by a button labeled either " y^x " or " x^y ."

Visualize the problem by preparing a situation matrix as follows:

R_t	t	R_1	$n = 1.2.$
100 cGyph	H + 5 hours	?	

Step 1. Write the situation matrix (at left) to properly record the information in the problem.

Step 2. Find the nomogram for fallout decay using a decay rate (n) of 1.2 (see [Figure E-16](#)).

Step 3. Lineup a hairline on the value of 100 cGyph on the far left hand R_t column. Lay the hairline across 5 in the center Time column.

Step 4. Holding the hairline straight and steady, read the value in the right-hand R column. Your answer should be approximately 650 cGyph.

Second Situation--Further monitoring determines the decay rate to be 0.9. Monitor A's reading, using the procedure of the first situation, is normalized to a new R_1 ($H + 1$) of 426 cGyph. The commander wants to know what the reading will be at Monitor A's location at $H + 8$ hours.

R_t	t	R_1	$n = 0.9.$
?	H + 8 hours	426 cGyph	

Step 1. Write the situation matrix (left) to properly record the information in the problem.

Step 2. Find the nomogram for fallout decay using a decay rate (n) of 0.9 (see [Figure E-14](#)).

Step 3. Line up the hairline on the value of 426 cGyph on the far right-hand R_1 column. Lay the hairline across 8 in the center Time column. If the correct value is not listed (as in this problem for the number 8 in the Time column), approximate where the number would lie between 5 and 10.

Step 4. Holding the hairline straight and steady, read the value in the far left-hand R_t column. This answer should be approximately 65 cGyph.

Use the nomograms in [Appendix E](#) to solve similar problems. Be sure to select the correct nomogram for the stated decay rate.

Normalizing Factor

The NF corrects dose rate readings to the selected reference time. Readings from radiological surveys received from

units must be normalized to $H + 1$ for use in plotting fallout contamination. The $H + 1$ calculations also are needed to estimate total dose. Normalizing factors may be found by using any of three methods: a table of values, mathematical, or graphical. The table of values method is the preferred method. The mathematical and graphical methods are discussed in [Appendix F](#). [Tables 6-5](#) and [6-6](#) are examples of tables of normalizing factors for selected times after a nuclear burst and for anticipated decay exponents. The reference time in [Table 6-5](#) is $H + 1$. The reference time in [Table 6-6](#) is $H + 48$ hours. This type of table normally is used when H -hour is known and the collection is initiated immediately. The following steps outline the procedure for using a table of values.

Table 6-5. Normalizing factors (correction to $H + 1$ hour).

TIME AFTER BURST	DECAY EXPONENT (n)							
	0.600	0.800	1.000	1.200	1.400	1.600	1.800	2.000
10 min	0.341	0.238	0.167	0.118	0.081	0.057	0.040	0.028
20 min	0.517	0.415	0.333	0.268	0.215	0.172	0.138	0.111
30 min	0.660	0.574	0.500	0.435	0.379	0.330	0.287	0.250
40 min	0.784	0.723	0.667	0.615	0.567	0.523	0.482	0.444
50 min	0.896	0.854	0.833	0.803	0.775	0.747	0.720	0.684
1 hr 0 min	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000	1.000
1 hr 10 min	1.090	1.130	1.160	1.200	1.240	1.280	1.320	1.360
1 hr 20 min	1.180	1.260	1.330	1.410	1.490	1.580	1.670	1.770
1 hr 30 min	1.270	1.380	1.500	1.620	1.760	1.910	2.070	2.250
1 hr 40 min	1.350	1.500	1.660	1.840	2.040	2.260	2.500	2.770
1 hr 50 min	1.430	1.620	1.830	2.070	2.330	2.630	2.970	3.360
2 hr 0 min	1.510	1.740	2.000	2.290	2.630	3.030	3.480	4.000
2 hr 15 min	1.620	1.910	2.250	2.640	3.110	3.680	4.300	5.080
2 hr 30 min	1.730	2.080	2.500	3.000	3.600	4.330	5.200	6.250
2 hr 45 min	1.830	2.240	2.750	3.360	4.120	5.040	6.170	7.560
3 hr 0 min	1.930	2.400	3.000	3.730	4.650	5.800	7.220	9.000
3 hr 15 min	2.020	2.560	3.250	4.110	5.200	6.590	8.340	10.680
3 hr 30 min	2.120	2.720	3.500	4.490	5.770	7.420	9.530	12.250
3 hr 45 min	2.210	2.870	3.750	4.880	6.360	8.280	10.790	14.080
4 hr 0 min	2.280	3.030	4.000	5.270	6.980	9.190	12.120	16.000
4 hr 20 min	2.410	3.230	4.330	5.810	7.790	10.440	14.000	18.770
4 hr 40 min	2.520	3.420	4.660	6.350	8.640	11.760	16.000	21.770
5 hr 0 min	2.620	3.620	5.000	6.890	9.510	13.130	18.110	25.000
5 hr 20 min	2.730	3.810	5.330	7.460	10.410	14.660	20.350	28.440
5 hr 40 min	2.830	4.000	5.660	8.010	11.340	16.040	22.680	32.110
6 hr 0 min	2.930	4.190	6.000	8.580	12.280	17.580	25.150	36.000
6 hr 20 min	3.020	4.370	6.330	9.160	13.250	19.170	27.720	40.110
6 hr 40 min	3.120	4.560	6.660	9.740	14.230	20.800	30.410	44.440
7 hr 0 min	3.210	4.740	7.000	10.330	15.240	22.490	33.200	49.000
7 hr 20 min	3.300	4.920	7.330	10.920	16.270	24.230	36.100	53.770
7 hr 40 min	3.390	5.100	7.660	11.520	17.310	26.020	39.110	58.770
8 hr 0 min	3.480	5.270	8.000	12.120	18.370	27.850	42.220	64.000
9 hr 0 min	3.730	5.800	9.000	13.980	21.670	33.630	52.190	81.000
10 hr 0 min	3.980	6.310	10.000	15.840	25.110	39.810	63.090	100.000
11 hr 0 min	4.210	6.800	11.000	17.760	28.700	46.360	74.900	121.000
12 hr 0 min	4.440	7.300	12.000	19.720	32.420	53.290	87.600	144.000

Table 6-6. Normalizing factors (correction to H + 48 hours).

TIME AFTER BURST (HOURS)	DECAY RATE (n)														
	0.80	0.70	0.80	0.90	1.00	1.10	1.20	1.30	1.40	1.50	1.60	1.70	1.80	1.90	2.00
H + 48	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
H + 49	1.01	1.01	1.02	1.02	1.02	1.02	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.03	1.04	1.04	1.04	1.04
H + 50	1.02	1.03	1.03	1.04	1.04	1.05	1.05	1.05	1.06	1.06	1.07	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.09
H + 51	1.04	1.04	1.05	1.06	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.10	1.11	1.12	1.12	1.13
H + 52	1.05	1.06	1.07	1.07	1.08	1.09	1.10	1.11	1.12	1.13	1.14	1.15	1.15	1.16	1.17
H + 53	1.06	1.07	1.08	1.08	1.10	1.12	1.13	1.14	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.18	1.20	1.21	1.22
H + 54	1.07	1.09	1.10	1.11	1.13	1.14	1.15	1.17	1.18	1.19	1.20	1.22	1.24	1.25	1.27
H + 55	1.09	1.10	1.12	1.13	1.15	1.16	1.17	1.19	1.21	1.22	1.24	1.26	1.28	1.30	1.32
H + 56	1.10	1.11	1.13	1.15	1.17	1.18	1.20	1.22	1.24	1.26	1.28	1.30	1.32	1.34	1.36
H + 57	1.11	1.13	1.15	1.17	1.19	1.21	1.23	1.25	1.27	1.29	1.32	1.34	1.36	1.39	1.41
H + 58	1.12	1.14	1.16	1.19	1.21	1.23	1.25	1.28	1.30	1.33	1.35	1.38	1.41	1.43	1.46
H + 59	1.13	1.15	1.18	1.20	1.23	1.25	1.28	1.30	1.33	1.36	1.39	1.42	1.45	1.48	1.51
H + 60	1.14	1.17	1.20	1.22	1.25	1.28	1.31	1.34	1.37	1.40	1.43	1.46	1.49	1.53	1.56
H + 61	1.15	1.18	1.21	1.24	1.27	1.30	1.33	1.37	1.40	1.43	1.47	1.50	1.54	1.58	1.62
H + 62	1.17	1.20	1.23	1.26	1.29	1.33	1.36	1.39	1.43	1.47	1.50	1.55	1.59	1.63	1.67
H + 63	1.18	1.21	1.24	1.28	1.31	1.35	1.39	1.42	1.46	1.50	1.55	1.59	1.63	1.68	1.72
H + 64	1.19	1.22	1.26	1.30	1.33	1.37	1.41	1.45	1.50	1.54	1.58	1.63	1.68	1.73	1.78
H + 65	1.20	1.24	1.27	1.31	1.35	1.40	1.44	1.48	1.53	1.58	1.62	1.67	1.73	1.78	1.83
H + 66	1.21	1.25	1.29	1.33	1.38	1.42	1.47	1.51	1.58	1.61	1.66	1.72	1.77	1.83	1.89
H + 67	1.22	1.26	1.31	1.35	1.40	1.44	1.49	1.54	1.60	1.65	1.71	1.76	1.82	1.88	1.95
H + 68	1.23	1.28	1.32	1.37	1.42	1.47	1.52	1.57	1.63	1.69	1.75	1.81	1.87	1.94	2.01
H + 69	1.24	1.29	1.34	1.39	1.44	1.49	1.55	1.60	1.66	1.72	1.79	1.85	1.92	1.99	2.07
H + 70	1.25	1.30	1.35	1.40	1.46	1.51	1.57	1.63	1.70	1.76	1.83	1.90	1.97	2.05	2.13
H + 71	1.26	1.32	1.37	1.42	1.48	1.54	1.60	1.66	1.73	1.80	1.87	1.95	2.02	2.10	2.19
H + 72	1.28	1.33	1.38	1.44	1.50	1.56	1.63	1.69	1.76	1.84	1.91	1.99	2.07	2.16	2.25
H + 96	1.52	1.62	1.74	1.87	2.00	2.14	2.30	2.46	2.64	2.83	3.03	3.25	3.48	3.73	4.00
H + 120	1.73	1.90	2.08	2.28	2.50	2.74	3.00	3.29	3.61	3.95	4.33	4.75	5.20	5.70	6.25
H + 144	1.93	2.16	2.41	2.69	3.00	3.35	3.74	4.17	4.66	5.20	5.80	6.47	7.22	8.06	9.00
H + 168	2.12	2.40	2.72	3.09	3.50	3.97	4.50	5.10	5.78	6.55	7.42	8.41	9.54	10.80	12.25

Step 1. Determine the time in hours and minutes after the burst that the reading was taken.

Step 2. Enter [Table 6-5](#) with the time after burst. Read across to the appropriate decay exponent column and find the NF.

Step 3. Multiply the dose-rate reading by the normalization factor. The product is the H + 1 dose-rate reading.

The following example uses the table of values to determine the normalization factor, and uses it to convert R₂ to R₁.

Example:

The outside dose rate at 1 hour and 20 minutes after the burst was 100 cGyph. Enter [Table 6-5](#) with 1 hour and 20 minutes and extract the normalizing factor of 1.41 from the 1.2 decay exponent column. (Because decay was not stated, assume standard decay of 1.2.) Calculate R_1 as follows:

$$R_1 = NF \times R_2$$

$$R_1 = 1.41 \times 100 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$R_1 = 141 \text{ cGyph.}$$

Total Dose Procedures

The dose rate of radiation does not directly determine whether or not personnel become casualties. Casualties depend on total dose received. If the dose rate were constant, total dose would simply be the product of the dose rate and the time spent in the contaminated area (just as in a road movement problem, Rate \times Time = Distance). But the dose rate continually diminishes because of decay. This makes the calculation more complicated. The actual dose received is always less than the product of dose rate at time of entry times duration of stay.

Total dose, time of entry, and time of stay calculations in fallout areas are solved in total dose nomograms. These nomograms are based on anticipated decay rates of $n = 0.2$ to $n = 2.0$ and are in [Appendix E](#).

Total dose nomograms relate total dose, $H + 1$ dose rate, stay time, and entry time. The index scale is a pivoting line. It is used as an intermediate step between D and R_1 , and T_s and T_e . The index scale value can be used to multiply the R_1 to find the D . The four values on these nomograms are defined below:

- D = total dose in cGy.
- R_1 = dose rate in cGyph one hour after burst ($H + 1$). The $H + 1$ dose rate ALWAYS must be used. NEVER use a dose rate taken at any other time. Total dose nomograms are never used to determine the R_1 . Decay nomograms are used for this purpose.
- T_s = stay time in hours.
- T_e = entry time (hours after burst).

R_1 must be known before the total dose nomograms can be used. If any two of the other three values are known, the nomograms can be used to find the missing piece of information. Determination of R_1 was discussed earlier.

D and R_1 , and T_s and T_e are used together. When working with total dose nomograms, start the problem on the side of the nomogram where the two known values are located. If D and R_1 are given, start on the left side. If T_s and T_e are given, start on the right side. Never begin a problem by joining D or R_1 with either of the time values.

The following problems are for single explosions only. Multiple-burst fallout procedures are covered later in this chapter.

Problem 1.

Given:

$$R_1 = 200 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$T_e = H + 1.5 \text{ hours}$$

$$T_s = 1 \text{ hour}$$

$$n = 1.2.$$

Find: D.

Visualize the problem as follows:

Answer: 90 cGy.

Solution.

Select the $n = 1.2$ total dose nomogram. Connect $H + 1.5$ hours on the T_e scale and 1 hour on the T_s scale with a hairline. Pivot the hairline at its point of intersection with the index scale to the 200 cGyph on the R_1 scale. Read $D = 90$ cGyph on the total dose scale.

Problem 2.

Given:

$$D = 20 \text{ cGy}$$

$$R_1 = 100 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$T_s = 1 \text{ hour}$$

$$n = 0.8$$

Find: T_e

Visualize the problem as follows:

Answer: $H + 6.6$ hours.

Solution: Select the $n = 0.8$ total dose nomogram. Connect 20 cGyph on the D scale and 100 cGyph on the R_1 scale. Pivot the hairline at its point of intersection with the index to the 1 hour on the T_s scale. Read $T_e = 6.6$ hours on the T_e scale.

Problem 3.

$$D = 50 \text{ cGy}$$

$$R_1 = 200 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$T_e = H + 3 \text{ hours}$$

$$n = 1.6$$

Find: T_s .

Visualize the problem as follows:

Solution: Select the $n = 1.6$ total dose nomogram. Connect 50 cGyph on the D scale and 200 cGyph on the R_1 scale. Pivot the hairline at its point of intersection with the index scale to the 3 hour point on the T_e scale. Read 2 hours on

the T_s scale.

Problem 4. (Special case--Hairline off scale)

Given: $R_1 = 10$ cGyph

$T_s = 2$ hour

$T_e = H + 2$ hours

$n = 1.4$.

Find: D

Answer: 4.6 cGy.

Visualize the problem as follows:

Solution:

Select the $n = 1.4$ total dose nomogram. Connect 2 hours on the T_e scale and 2 hours on the T_s scale with a hairline. Pivot the hairline at its point of intersection with the index scale to 10 cGyph on the R_1 scale. Note that the hairline crosses above the D column. To find D, multiply the value found where the hairline crosses the index scale by the R_1 . In this case, index = 0.46, and $R_1 = 10$ cGyph. Therefore, $D = 4.6$ cGy.

By 25 hours after the burst, the change in the rate of decay is so low that it is relatively insignificant. Therefore, a different approach is used to estimate total dose when T_e is greater than 25 hours. In this case, simply multiply the dose rate at the time of entry by the time of stay. This is written--

$$D = R_{te} \times T_s.$$

D = total dose (cGy)

R_{te} = dose rate (cGyph) at time of entry

T_s = time of stay (hr).

For example--

Given: $R_1 = 300$ cGyph

$T_s = 2$ hours

$T_e = H + 30$ hours

$n = 0.9$

Find: D

Answer: 28 cGy.

Visualize the problem as follows:

D	R _i	T _s	T _e
?	300 cGyph	2 hours	H + 30 hours

Solution: Select the 0.9 decay rate nomogram. Align 2 hours on the T_s scale with 30 hours on the T_e scale. However, in this case there is not a 30 hour scale on the time of entry chart. Use the 0.9 fallout decay nomogram to determine what the dose would be at H + 30 hours.

Find dose:

$$D = R_{te} \times T_s$$

$$D = 14 \text{ cGyph} \times 2 \text{ hr}$$

$$D = 28 \text{ cGy}$$

When T_s must be calculated against a dose limit or OEG, the above formula must be rearranged:

Now determine when (time) 300 cGyph will reduce to 14 cGyph. Align the R_i value and the R_t value. Note that the hairline crosses the time (t) scale at H + 30 hours.

Sometimes monitors or survey team members will record radiological contamination readings that are not normal readings. This situation may not be apparent until the readings are plotted by the NBCC on the situation map. These readings may record dose rates that are higher than what would be normal for that area. This difference may be caused by--rainout, which was discussed earlier, overlapping fallout from multiple bursts, and neutron-induced radiation.

Multiple Burst Procedures

Under nuclear warfare conditions, there probably will be occasions when a fallout prediction overlaps an area in which contamination already exists. Similarly, there may be cases in which fallout predictions overlap each other. For example, two fallout-producing bursts can occur within a few hours of each other--one upwind from the other.

Use the following rule for determining the relative hazard when two or more fallout predictions overlap--The hazard classification of an area where predicted fallout hazard zones overlap should be only that of the higher classification involved. That is, an overlap area involving Zone I should be designated Zone I, and an overlap area involving nothing more hazardous than Zone II should be designated Zone II (see [Figures 6-6](#) and [6-7](#)).

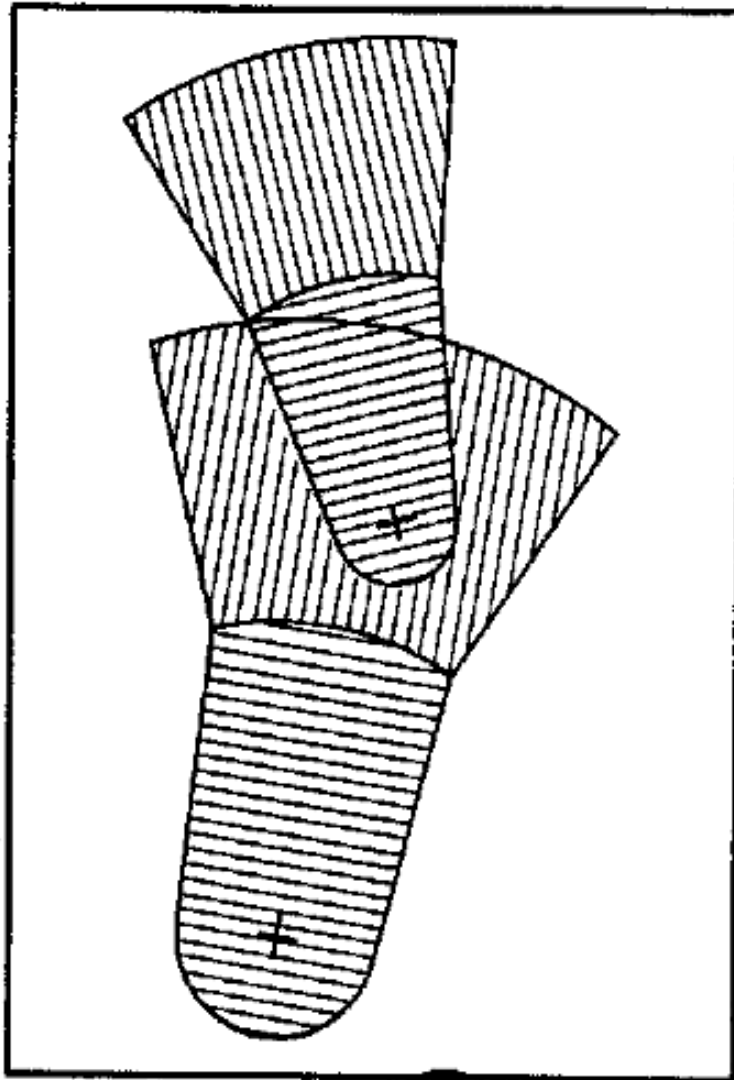


Figure 6-6. First example of overlapping fallout predictions.

The above rule is useful only for a matter of several hours after the bursts. The extent of contamination should be determined as soon as possible from monitoring and survey reports. When bursts are separated by several hours, the pattern already on the ground must be considered with the fallout prediction for the later burst.

It is highly probable that there will be areas on the battlefield subject to fallout from more than one nuclear weapon detonation. Procedures for predicting future dose rates in areas contaminated by single explosions are not adequate in many instances within overlapping fallout patterns. Fallout produced by more than one explosion normally has different decay exponents at different locations in the area. The next section outlines procedures for predicting future dose rates within overlapping fallout patterns.

Dose Rate Calculation Methods

The methods described next apply to two or more overlapping fallout patterns. The choice of method depends on whether the dose rates of each burst can be separated. If enough information is not available to separate the bursts or dose rates, refer to [Appendix F](#).

If enough information is known to separate the different dose rates, use the following three steps:

Step 1. Separate the dose rates. You need the H-hour of each burst and two or more dose rate readings for the location of interest. Take these readings after the fallout from each burst peaks and prior to the arrival of new fallout. Use normal procedures for calculating the decay exponent (n) for each burst at the location of interest.

Step 2. Calculate separately the dose rate for the desired future time for each burst. Add the results. This procedure lets you calculate the total dose rate for a specific location at any time in the future.

Step 3. Repeat [steps 1](#) and [2](#) for each location of interest within the overlapping fallout patterns.

If enough information is not known to separate the different dose rates, use the following procedures:

Step 1. For a specific location, use log-log graph paper and plot the last two dose rate measurements (after peak) against the time after the latest burst. (If the time of the latest detonation is unknown, estimate H-hour as the time of the latest known burst.)

Step 2. Draw a straight line through these points and extend the line to later times.

Step 3. Determine a first approximation of the future dose rate directly from the graph.

Step 4. Plot a later dose-rate measurement at that location when it becomes available.

Step 5. Draw a straight line through the new latest two points and extrapolate the line to later times.

Step 6. Determine a better approximation of the future dose rate directly from the latest extrapolation.

Step 7. Repeat [steps 4](#), [5](#), and [6](#) as later dose rate measurements at that location become available.

Step 8. Repeat [steps 1 through 7](#) for each location of interest within the overlapping fallout patterns.

Example of dose rate calculation:

Problem: Fallout has been received from two detonations--one at 0800Z and one at 1100Z (see [Figure 6-8](#)).

Predict the dose rates for 0800Z at this location 24 hours after the burst. Sufficient data is available to separate the two bursts.

Solution: Separate the two dose rates. This can be done by two different methods: the logarithm method, which is preferred, and the calculator method found in [Appendix F](#).

Logarithm chart method

R_{1a} = Dose rate of first burst at H + 1.

R_{2b} = Dose rate at the time of the second burst.

T_{2b} = Time in hours after the first burst of the R_{2b} reading.

T_{1a} = Time (in hours after first burst) of the R_{1a} reading.

$$n = \frac{\log\left(\frac{R_a}{R_b}\right)}{\log\left(\frac{T_b}{T_a}\right)},$$

Step 1. Divide 100 by 27 to get 3.7. Turn to [Table 6-4](#) for the logarithm chart. Read down Column A until you find 3.7. Read across to Column B, and extract the log of 3.7, which is 0.568.

Step 2. Replace $\frac{100}{27} \log$ with 0.568 in the formula.

Step 3. Repeat [Step 1](#) for $\left(\frac{3}{1}\right)$ log

Once you divide 3 by 1, you should get 3. Turn to [Table 6-4](#), and read down Column A until you

find 3; read across to Column B, and read 0.477. Substitute this number for log

in the formula, just as in [Step 2](#).

Step 4. The new formula should now look like this:

$\frac{0.568}{0.477}$ Divide the top number by the bottom number.

Step 5. $\frac{0.568}{0.477} = 1.190775681.$

Rounding this number up to the nearest tenth (0.1), your answer should be an n value (or decay rate) of 1.2, which equals standard decay.

Step 6. Next, determine the decay rate for the second burst (see [Figure 6-8](#)). The second burst occurred at 1100. This is three hours after the first burst. The fallout from the second burst peaked prior to H + 1 (1200). Thus, the reference dose rate for this portion is 219 cGyph. Determine how much of this reading (219 cGyph) was contributed by the first burst. We know that the first burst occurred at 0800. This is four hours prior to our second burst's H + 1 value. Our H + 1 or R₁ value for the first burst was 100 cGyph. Enter the nomogram for fallout decay of 1.2 found in [Figure 6-9](#) with the R₁ value of 100 and H + 4. Read the R_t value of 19 cGyph. Therefore, 19 cGyph of the 219 cGyph reading at 1200 was contributed by the first burst. Subtract 19 cGyph from 219 cGyph to determine the H + 1 value of the second burst. The formula to determine the decay rate of the second burst would look like this:

Step 7. The last reading in the report was 108 cGyph at 1300 This is five hours after detonation of the first burst. Using the same procedures outlined in [Step 6](#), determine that 14.5 cGyph of the 108 cGyph reading was contributed by the first burst. Substitute the "x" value in our formula with 14.5 and substitute the T_b value for 2, since 1300 is 2 hours after the second burst. Our formula now looks like this:

Step 8. Divide 200 by 93.5. This should equal 2.13. Enter the logarithm chart in [Table 6-4](#) and read down Column A until you find 2.1. Due to the rules of simple rounding, you would go to 2.1. If this is not desired, you may mathematically estimate the log for 2.13. Extract the number 0.322. Divide 2 by 1 and enter the logarithm chart, find 2 and read 0.301. Divide 0.322 by 0.301. This gives you a decay rate for the second burst of 1.069 or 1.1:

$$\frac{\log\left(\frac{200}{93.5}\right)}{\log\left(\frac{2}{1}\right)} = \frac{0.322}{0.301} = 1.06976, \text{ or } 1.1.$$

The nomogram method may now be used to calculate the dose rate at the time of operational interest.

Using a nomogram, calculate the 0800Z dose rate 24 hours after the first burst by finding the dose rate for that specific time for each burst separately, and add the two values. Use a decay rate of 1.2 for the first burst, and 1.1 for the second:

(n = 1.2 nomogram in [Figure 6-9](#)).

(n = 1.1 nomogram in [Figure 6-10](#)).

Dose rate total at 24 hours after the first burst is calculated as follows:

2.2 cGyph + 7.0 cGyph = 9.2, or 9 cGyph.

Dose Rate Calculations for Overlapping Fallout

H-hour is known for each burst. At 251500, a 20-KT nuclear weapon was detonated on the surface. Sometime later, fallout arrived on your position. At 1630, a peak dose rate of 126 cGyph was measured. Subsequent readings indicated that n = 1.4. At 251700, another weapon was detonated, and fallout arrived at your position soon after. At 251830, a second peak dose rate of 300 cGyph was measured.

Note: This problem also may be calculated with a hand-held pocket calculator. These procedures are outlined in [Appendix F](#). The calculator procedures must be followed if the value for t (time) is less than 1 hour.

Problem 1. Assuming that n = 1.2 for the second weapon, what will the dose rate be at 2000? This may be calculated by either of two methods for determining an R₁ value. The first method (A) is to follow the steps for using the nomogram. The second method (B) is outlined in [Appendix F](#).

Solution:

When H-hour for each detonation is known, calculate the dose or dose rate for each event, and add them together to get the total dose or dose rate received.

Find R₁ for the first detonation.

Visualize the problem as follows:

R _t	t	R ₁
126 cGyph	H + 1.5	?

Step 1. Using the nomogram in [Figure 6-11](#) for a decay rate of 1.4, line up the hairline across the R_t value and t value. Read 222 cGyph on the R_1 scale.

Find R_t at 1830 hours for the first fallout only.

Visualize the problem as follows:

Step 2. Using the same nomogram as in [Step 1](#), lineup the hairline across the R_1 value of 222 and the t value of 3.5 (1830 is 3.5 hours after the first burst). Read the value of 38 on the R_t scale.

Step 3. Find the dose rate contribution at 1830 from the second burst. Subtract the R_t value determined in [Step 2](#) from the reported dose rate at 1830 (300 cGyph). Dose rate contribution of the second burst is 262 cGyph.

$$R_{t2} = R_t - R_1$$

$$R_t = 300 \text{ cGyph} - 38 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$R_t = 262 \text{ cGyph}$$

Step 4. Find R_1 for the second burst only. Follow the procedures outlined in [Step 1](#) to determine the R_1 value. Use the 1.2 nomogram in [Figure 6-9](#). Line up the R_t value of 262 cGyph and the t value of 1.5. Read the R_1 value of 400 cGyph.

Find R_t at 2000 hour for each burst.

Visualize the problem as follows:

Step 5. For first burst, using the same nomogram as in [Step 1](#), lineup the hairline on the R_1 scale at approximately the 222 cGyph value. Hairline must cross the t scale at 5 ($H + 5$). Read the approximate value of 34 cGyph on the R_t scale.

$$R_1 = 222 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$t = H + 4 \text{ hours}$$

For the second burst, using the 1.2 decay-rate nomogram as in [Step 4](#), line up the hairline on the R_1 value of 400 cGyph and cross the t scale at 3 ($H + 3$). Read the R_t value of 85 cGyph.

Step 6. Find the total dose rate at 2000 hours. Total dose rate is the sum of dose rates at that time. Add the R_t value of 34 cGyph at $H + 5$ for the first burst and the R_t value of 85 cGyph at $H + 3$ for the second burst.

$$\text{total dose at 2000} = R_{t1} + R_{t2}$$

$$\text{total dose at 2000} = 34 \text{ cGyph and } 85 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$\text{total dose at 2000} = 119 \text{ cGyph}$$

Problem 2. If a new unit moves into your area at 2200 and occupies foxholes for three hours, what total dose can they expect to receive? To work this portion of the problem, use the total dose nomogram for the decay rate of 1.4 in [Figure 6-11](#).

Step 1. Find dose received from first burst. Visualize the problem as follows:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 \text{OD} & R_1 & T_g & T_g \\
 ? & | \quad 222 \text{ cGyph} & | \quad 3 \text{ hr} & | \quad H + 7 \\
 \text{(2200 is 7 hours after the first burst).}
 \end{array}$$

Note: In computing this problem do not consider any radiation exposure the unit may receive prior to entering the foxholes. For the purposes of this example, only consider the radiation exposure the unit will receive once it (the unit) enters the foxholes.

From [Figure 6-11](#), read the value of 30 cGy. Multiply this value by the transmission factor for foxholes (0.1), found in [Table 6-1](#).

$$ID = OD \times TF$$

$$ID = 30 \text{ cGy} \times 0.1$$

$$ID = 3 \text{ cGy}$$

Step 2. Find dose received from the second burst. Visualize the problem as follows:

Using the nomogram for total dose, decay rate 1.2 in [Figure 6-12](#), compute the following:

$$OD = 125 \text{ cGy}$$

$$ID = OD \times TF$$

$$ID = 125 \text{ cGy} \times 0.1$$

$$ID = 12.5 \text{ cGy.}$$

Step 3. Find the total dose from both bursts.

$$D \text{ total} = D1 + D2$$

$$= 3 \text{ cGy} + 12.5 \text{ cGy}$$

$$= 15.5 \text{ cGy.}$$

Note: These values apply only to the location where the dose rate measurement was taken. The procedure must be repeated for each additional location.

Problem 3. You have the following information and monitoring data:

100900 H-hour

101030 350 cGyph (peak)

101100 260 cGyph

101200 163 cGyph

101400 94 cGyph, H-hour, second burst

101500 100 cGyph

101600 515 cGyph

101700 295 cGyph

101800 216 cGyph

101900 163 cGyph

Find the dose rate at 111100.

Solution:

Since H-hour is known for both detonations, a mathematical procedure can be used.

Step 1. Determine the decay constant for the first burst.

Answer: $n = 1.09 = 1.1$

Step 2. Using $n = 1.1$, calculate the contribution the first burst made to the total dose rate after 101500. Using the data presented in the problem and the decay value of 1.1, normalize the peak reading of 350 cGyph at H + 1.5 hours to H + 1. Using [Figure 6-10](#) and the methods discussed previously, determine an H + 1 value of 530 cGyph.

Dose Rate from First Burst:

101000 (H + 1) 530 cGyph

101500 (H + 6) 78 cGyph

101600 (H + 7) 65 cGyph

101700 (H + 8) 55 cGyph

101800 (H + 9) 48 cGyph

101900 (H + 10) 43 cGyph

Step 3. Calculate the decay constant for the second burst.

Answer: $n = 1.444 = 1.4$

Step 4. Calculate dose rate at 111100 for each burst, and add together.

Visualize the problem for the first burst ($n = 1.1$) as follows:

Answer: $R_{\text{total}} = 31 \text{ cGyph}$.

H-hour is known only for the most recent burst. In this circumstance, a graphical approximation must be made.

Situation: There have been several surface bursts which have deposited fallout on your position. H-hour for the most recent detonation was 150700 hours. Monitoring reports since are listed below:

150700 30 cGyph

150800 128 cGyph

150830263 cGyph (peak)

151000 112 cGyph

Problem: Find the dose rate at 161000 using these steps:

Step 1. On log-log graph paper, plot the peak dose (263 cGyph) and subsequent dose rates. Draw a straight line through them extending to 161000 (H + 27 hours) (see [Figure 6-13](#)).

Step 2. Read as first extrapolation, 7.5 cGyph.

Situation (continued): It is now 151300 and you have received these additional reports:

15110083 cGyph

15130055 cGyph.

What is the projected H + 27 dose rate at this time?

Step 3. Plot the new data and connect the two most current values with a straight line, extending it to H + 27 hours.

Step 4. Read as a second extrapolation, 11.8 cGyph.

Situation (continued): It is now 152400, and the latest monitor report is 22 cGyph.

What is the projected H + 27 rate now?

Step 5. Plot the new data and connect the last two values with a straight line extending to H + 27 hours.

Step 6. Read as a third extrapolation, 15.5 cGyph.

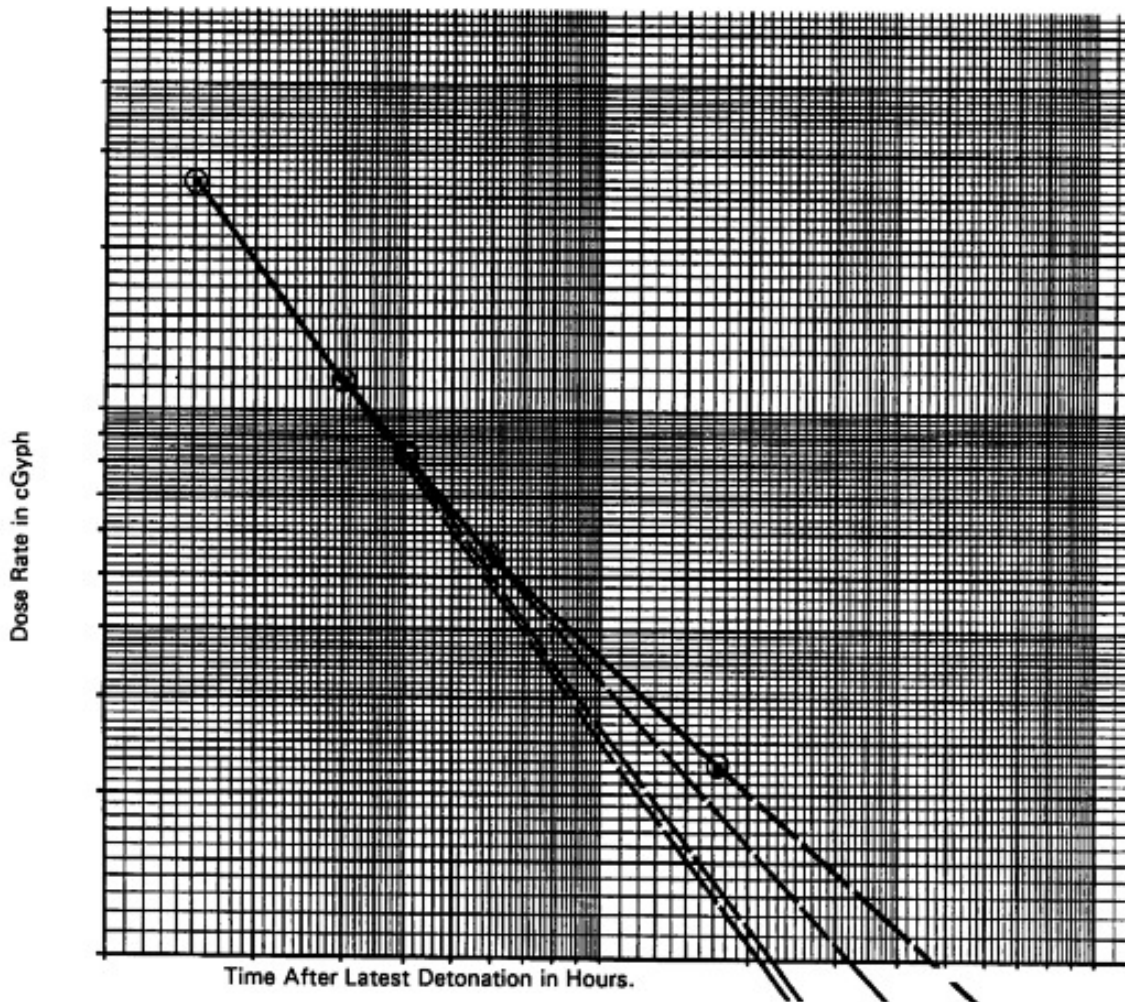


Figure 6-13. Mathematical estimation (extrapolation) method of dose rate prediction, with periodic revisions.

Crossing a Fallout Area

In nuclear warfare, it is possible that extensive areas will be contaminated with residual activity. It may be necessary to cross an area where there is residual radiation. This might occur when exploiting our own nuclear bursts or in retrograde or offensive operations coupled with enemy-delivered nuclear bursts. These areas may be occupied eventually, but operations will be complicated because the total dose received by our troops must be kept to a minimum.

When crossing a contaminated area, the dose rate will increase as the center of the area is approached and will decrease as the far side is approached. Therefore, determine an average dose rate for total dose calculations. A reasonable approximation of the average dose rate can be determined by using one-half of the highest dose rate. This is written--

$R_1 \text{ average} = \text{average dose rate at } H + 1$

$R_1 \text{ max} = \text{highest dose rate encountered or expected to be encountered at } H + 1.$

After the average dose rate has been determined, entry times that will keep the total dose below that specified in operational exposure guidance can be computed on the basis of estimated stay times. Total dose also can be computed for specified entry times and stay times. The following paragraphs outline procedures for these

calculations.

In calculating the total dose to be received when crossing a fallout area, you need the time of entry into the area, the average dose rate along the route, and the time of stay within the area. Use the total dose nomograms in [Appendix E](#) for these calculations.

In crossing, the average dose rate is equal to one-half of the maximum dose rate encountered on the route. If the maximum dose rate encountered is 60 cGyph, then--

$$R_{1 \text{ avg}} = \frac{R_{1 \text{ max}}}{2} = \frac{60 \text{ cGyph}}{2} = 30 \text{ cGyph.}$$

In crossing a fallout area, the length of exposure or time of stay must be calculated. The length of the crossing route within the outer perimeter of the contamination is divided by the average speed of crossing. This speed must be constant.

$$T_s = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}}, \text{ where } T_s \text{ is time of stay}$$

If the distance across an area is 2 kilometers, and the speed is a constant 20 kilometers per hour then--

When a unit must cross a contaminated area, it is given OEG. (See [Appendix A](#) for more details on OEG.) This is the maximum permissible dose. The unit calculates various entry times and stay times that will keep the total dose below the OEG. The average dose rate also must be known. Transmission factors for vehicles are applied to total dose or dose rates. (Refer to [Table 6-1](#).)

The following problems concern techniques only. They do not consider the impact that these doses or dose rates might have on operations in a contaminated area. When solving for total dose (D) with an actual stay time (T_s) of less than 1 hour, align the hairline with 1 hour on the appropriate nomogram to obtain a total dose. Multiply this total dose figure by the actual decimal fraction of the time of stay to obtain the true total dose.

Problem 1.

Troops are to cross the fallout area in [Figure 6-14](#) at H + 3 hours in M113s moving at 10 kmph. The route from A to B, a distance of 5 km, will be used. (Assume standard decay of 1.2).

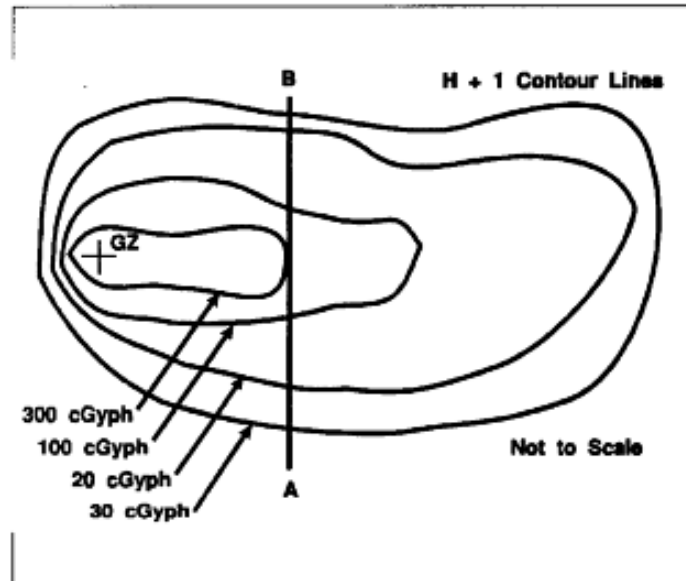


Figure 6-14. Problem 1 fallout area.

Find: Total dose the troops will receive.

Visualize the problem as follows:

D	R_1 avg	T_B	T_A
?	150 cGyph	0.5 hours	H + 3 hours

Answer: 9.6 cGy

Solution: Calculate the average dose rate as follows:

$$T_e = H + 3 \text{ hrs}$$

$$R_1 = (\text{highest exposure anticipated})$$

$$= (300 \text{ cGyph})$$

$$= 150 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$D = ?$$

Use [Figure E-36](#) to compute average dose rate.

$$D = 32 \text{ cGyph outside dose from nomogram at 1 hour } T_s$$

$$D = 32 \times .5) T_s)$$

$$D = 16 \text{ cGyph.}$$

Calculate the inside dose:

$$TF = 0.3 \text{ (Table 6-1)}$$

$$ID = OD \times TF$$

$$= 16 \times 0.3$$

$$= 4.8 \text{ cGy.}$$

Problem 2.

Troops are to cross the fallout area in [Figure 6-15](#) at H + 3 hours in 2-ton trucks moving at 15 kmph, using the route A-B-C-D-E. Total distance equals 7.5 kilometers.

Find: Total dose the troops will receive.

Answer: 7.2 cGy.

Solution:

1. Calculate the average dose rate:

($R_{i \text{ max}}$ at point C interpolated from [Figure 6-16](#)).

2. Calculate the time of stay:

$$T_s = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{7.5}{15 \text{ kmph}} = 0.5 \text{ hours.}$$

3. Find the outside dose:

$$R_1 \text{ avg} = 100 \text{ cGyph}$$

$$T_e = H + 3 \text{ hours}$$

$$T_s = 0.5 \text{ hour}$$

$$D = 12 \text{ cGy.}$$

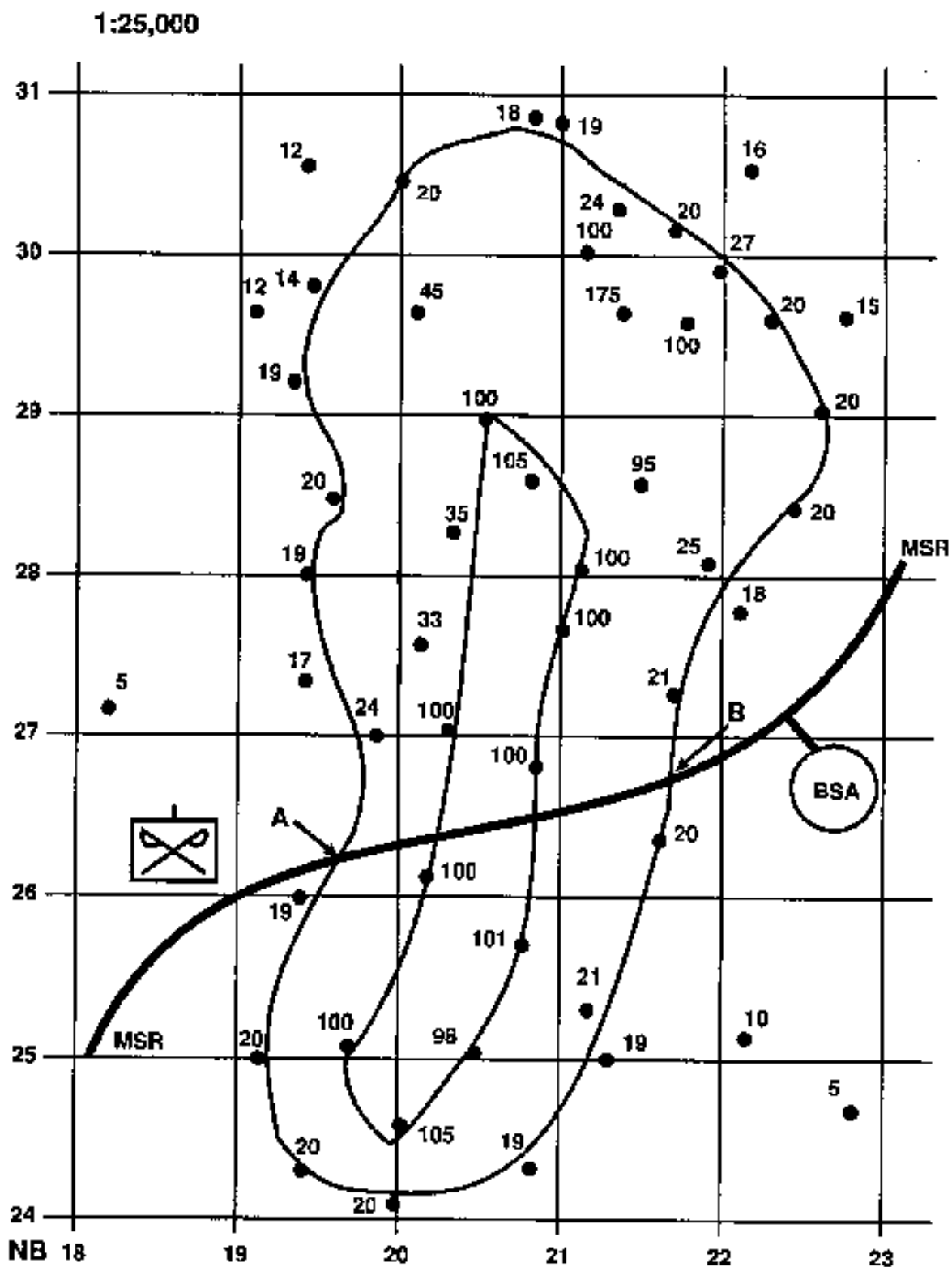
4. Calculate the inside dose:

$$TF = 0.6 \text{ (Table 6-1)}$$

$$ID = OD \times TF$$

$$= 12 \times 0.6$$

$$= 7.2 \text{ cGy.}$$



Problem 3.

A chemical company smoke generator platoon operating within 1st Brigade's sector must top off its fog oil load while

moving to the new mission site at the BSA (refer to [Figure 6-16](#)). A mountain range 3 kilometers, to the south and enemy activity 3 kilometers to the north prevent the platoon from maneuvering around the contamination. Time to complete this mission is essential. It is now 261830, and the platoon must have smoke on target by 262100 to support the next phase of 1st Brigade's operation. The platoon must move along the main supply route (MSR) to the brigade support area (BSA) to obtain more fog oil. Due to previous operations, the platoon is rated at RES 1 (moderate risk--as explained in [Appendix A](#)) and the soldiers are not to exceed 70 cGy total in this movement. The brigade S3 has turned to you, as the chemical staff specialist for 1st Brigade, and asked whether or not the platoon can accomplish this mission and not exceed the 70 cGy OEG. The S3 also wants to know what dose the platoon is expected to receive, and if there are any special precautions the platoon should take to limit its exposure.

Although presented as an example, this may be a typical situation on a nuclear battlefield, and is representative of what is commonly referred to as a crossing problem. The platoon will depart (SP) from its location (NB187262) at 1900 and travel in HMMWVs along the MSR at a speed of 25 kilometers per hour. Using the map scale in [Figure E-1](#), Appendix E, answer the brigade S3's questions.

Step 1. Place a pencil compass on the center of the platoons position and measure over the 20 cGyph contour line where this contour line crosses the MSR. Without changing the compass gap, place the compass on the map scale in [Figure E-1](#), Appendix E. Use the 1: 25,000 scale. The distance from the platoon's position to the 20 cGyph contour line should be 0.6 kms.

Step 2. If the platoon departs from its locaton at 1900, and travels 0.6 kms at 25 kmph, at what time will the platoon enter the contaminated area? To determine this use the following formula:

$$T(\text{time}) = \frac{\text{distance}}{\text{speed}} = \frac{0.6\text{km}}{25\text{kmph}} 0.024$$

In other words, with a nuclear burst that occurred at 1500, the unit will depart at H + 4 hours. The distance that the unit must travel down the MSR, before it reaches the contaminated environment will take approximately 1.45 minutes. This is derived by multiplying 0.024 by 60 to gain the time in minutes. When working with radiological contamination, from fallout, 1.45 minutes is immaterial. Beacuse this time and distance is small, for the purpose of this example, use the time of H + 4 for the platoon to enter (T_e) the contaminated area.

Step 3. Set up the remainder of the problem in the following manner--

$$ID_t = TF \times D.$$

ID_t = inside total dose received

TF = transmission factor for HMMWVs (see [Table 6-1](#))

D = total dose received (unshielded). Visualize the problem of finding D (total dose):

R₁ avg = average R₁ value

T_s = time of stay in contaminated area

T_e = time in which unit enters the contaminated area

In this example, use H + 4 as the T_e value.

Step 4. Referring back to [Figure 6-16](#), the highest dose rate the platoon is expected to encounter is 100 cGyph--used as the R_{1 max}, because it is the highest known dose rate along the MSR. Unless a survey actually establishes the actual R_{1max}, use the known dose rates found on T_e overlay graphics. Calculate the R₁ average for the problem:

$$R_{1avg} = \frac{R_{1max}}{2} = \frac{100cGyph}{2} = 50cGyph.$$

Now, go back to the visualization in [Step 3](#), and plug in the value for R_1 avg.

Plug into the visualization ([Step 3](#)) the value for TF from [Table 6-1](#).

Step 5. Measure the map distance from Point A (intersection of the 20 cGyph contour line and the MSR) to Point B, where the platoon will exit the contamination. This distance should equal approximately 1.4 kilometers. Time of stay (T_s) is calculated as follows:

Step 6. Turn to Figure 6-12, the total dose nomogram for a decay rate of 1.2. Align the hairline across the T_e value of $H + 4$. Again, find that the T_s value is less than 1 hour. As described earlier, place the hairline on 1. Pin the hairline down on the index scale (middle scale); and rotate the hairline so that it crosses the R_1 scale at the R_1 value of 50 cGyph. Read the value in the far left-hand column labeled Total Dose (D). Again, this value is off the printed scale.

In this case and all similar cases in which the hairline falls off the scale, there are two ways to solve the problem. First method is to multiply the R_1 , avg value (50 cGyph) by 10. When rotating the hairline on the index scale, lay the hairline across the new R_1 avg value of 500 cGyph. Read adjusted total dose from the far left-hand column. In this case, that dose is approximately 80 cGyph. Divide this number (80 cGyph) by 10 to find actual dose--in this case, 8 cGy. The second method is to multiply the R_1 value by the index value where the hairline crosses the index scale. Both methods are correct, and the preferred method is left to the individual. Place this value in the visualization.

Step 7. This dose (8 cGy) is the dose for a T_s of 1 hour. In this problem the T_s value was 0.056. To determine the actual outside, unshielded dose in this area, multiply the dose by the T_s :

$$\begin{aligned} D_{adj} &= D \times T_s \\ &= 8 \times 0.056 \\ D_{adj} &= 0.448 \text{ cGy.} \end{aligned}$$

So, for this problem the actual unshielded dose the soldiers may receive is less than 1 cGy or 0.448 cGy. However, the soldiers are in HMMWVs.

Step 8. Multiply the dose (0.448 cGy) by the transmission factor for HMMWVs (0.6) to calculate the inside, shielded dose rate the soldiers can expect to receive:

$$\begin{aligned} IDt &= 0.448 \text{ cGy} \times 0.6 \\ &= 0.2688 \text{ or } 0.3 \text{ cGy.} \end{aligned}$$

Soldiers of the chemical platoon are expected to receive 0.3 cGy, or less than 1 cGy, during their movement. Keep in mind that this calculation is based on a HMMWV transmission factor that was obtained using a radioactive source that is almost twice as strong as average fallout. So, the actual dose the soldiers receive may be less.

To answer the brigade S3's question, give the final dose the soldiers will receive. The S3 does not want to know how you arrived at those numbers--just the information. In this case, the soldiers are expected to receive 0.2688 cGy. As

stated originally, the platoon is rated at RES-1 moderate risk. Refer to [Appendix A](#) to determine the risk value. From [Table A-2](#) in Appendix A, moderate risk for RES-1 units is less than or equal to 30 cGy. Add the expected dose of 0.2688 or 0.3 cGy to determine what RES category the platoon will be in after its movement. The answer to the brigade S3's question is "Yes," the platoon can accomplish the move without exceeding 70 cGy total exposure. No additional protective measures are required other than to cover the nose and mouth with a cloth or wear the protective mask to protect the respiratory track from airborne radiological contaminants. If for some reason (enemy activity, vehicle breakdown, etc.) the platoon has to extend its stay in the area, new calculations must be made using the new value for T_s .

If the actual dose received by the platoon were to exceed the prescribed dose, you should suggest they either delay the platoon's entry into the area, increase the traveling speed of the vehicles, or add shielding to the vehicles (see [Appendix B](#) for adding shielding). In some cases all three steps outlined here may be used to reduce the dose received and meet mission requirements.

To calculate the time of exit (T_x) in this problem, or exactly when the platoon must exit the area, use the following formula:

$$T_x = T_e + T_s.$$

Application of Avoidance Principles

The concepts presented in this chapter can be applied to the integrated battlefield. To do this, you use the checklist in [Appendix G](#) as a guide for tactical operations.

ANBACIS System

As discussed in [Chapter 2](#), ANBACIS is a computer system capable of generating NBC warning and reporting messages; but the system also is capable of calculating EDMs and radiological calculations for total dose, crossing problems and induced radiation.

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